



An introduction to Hamilton Waste & Recycling Ltd



Overview:

Established in 2002, Hamilton Waste & Recycling Ltd has grown to become one of Scotland's largest independent waste management companies.

Operating from two strategic locations—a state-of-the-art recycling facility in Smeaton, near Edinburgh

and a dedicated depot at the ATL Environmental Village in Bishopbriggs, Glasgow—the company delivers innovative and sustainable waste management solutions to a wide range of clients.

In November 2023, Hamilton Waste & Recycling Ltd was acquired by Biffa, further strengthening its capabilities and aligning with Biffa's mission to drive the UK's circular economy through industry-leading recycling and resource management.

Our Smeaton recycling centre:

Location: Off the Edinburgh Bypass/A1, near the village of Carberry

Site Size: 15-acre purpose-built facility

Capabilities:

- Recognised as one of Scotland's most technologically advanced recycling centres
- Licensed to process up to 1,000,000 tonnes of waste annually
- Core objective: Recycle 100% of incoming material and achieve zero landfill diversion

Bishopbriggs Depot:

Location: ATL Environmental Village, Glasgow

Role:

- Key operational hub for collection, logistics, and waste transfer
- Supports efficient waste handling and timely service delivery
- Enables Hamilton Waste & Recycling Ltd to maintain high service standards across central Scotland





Our Principle Objectives

Hamilton Waste & Recycling Ltd is committed to sustainability, compliance, and customer service excellence.

Our objectives include:

- **Duty of Care:** Support customers in fulfilling their responsibilities as waste producers
- **Segregation & Recycling:** Enhance segregation of recyclable materials from mixed waste to improve performance and reduce costs
- **Traceability:** Provide full transparency of waste movements through recycling and disposal processes
- **Continuous Improvement:** Conduct regular collaborative reviews with customers to identify opportunities
- **Service Excellence:** Deliver industry-leading service levels through dedicated account management
- **Zero Waste to Landfill:** Achieve zero waste to landfill across all operations
- **Carbon Neutral Commitment:** Contribute to net zero targets through sustainable practices



Typical Materials Processed at Smeaton Recycling Centre

- **Construction waste:** Used as feedstock for Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF) for cement works
- **Recycled aggregates:** Clean materials (e.g., 6F5 or Type 1) produced for reuse
- **Residual waste:** Sent to local waste-to-energy facilities, diverting from landfill
- **Timber:** Processed for reuse in board mills or as biomass fuel
- **Metals:** Recovered and sold to merchants
- **Food waste:** Treated via Anaerobic Digestion to generate renewable energy
- **Plastics and films:** Sorted and supplied to recyclers and end processors
- **Brick, rubble, and soil:** Screened, graded, and sold for reuse
- **Cardboard and paper:** Baled and sent to recyclers and paper mills
- **Glass:** Processed and sold for reuse

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