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## Please outline:

<ul> <li>3.1 Strategy</li> <li>To what extent has a strategy or scenario planning for the implementation of this service been developed? What level of member engagement has there been in the development of any strategy or scenario planning?</li> </ul>	Hackney is currently in compliance with these requirements, with the exception of the collection of plastic film and flexible packaging Foil, foil trays, aerosol cans, aluminium tubes, food and drink cartons are all currently accepted in Hackney's kerbside collections for households and commercial premises.
	Hackney (and the other north London boroughs) is working with NLWA (the waste disposal authority) and Biffa (the material recycling provider) to establish a compliant and sustainable UK partner to recycle all types of grades of plastic films. The NLWA are working with Biffa to evaluate markets options and find a viable solution.
<ul> <li>3.2 Operations</li> <li>Given any initial and preparatory planning and / or service scenario modelling, what quantitative and qualitative critical issues have been identified for:</li> </ul>	n/a - NLWA are in discussion with Biffa regarding potential expansion of the service to include flexible plastics.
- Bulking and haulage - Recycling arrangements	Hackney aims to add flexible plastics to their current recycling services when they become acceptable in the MRF. It is anticipated that flexible plastics would be added as an acceptable item, to the current commingled recycling service. No significant service changes are therefore required. Operational considerations, such as impact upon vehicle capacities and resources, are unknown due to the absence of data pertaining to the volume / weight / capture rates of flexible plastics. The introduction of flexible plastics recycling may have operational and budget impacts due to additional materials creating a requirement for additional resources, such as collection vehicles, rounds, load tips per day, estate bin capacities, street level sack quantities.
	Materials are direct delivered to the MRF and therefore there are no anticipated bulking and haulage issues (other than the operational impacts noted above, of unknown scale).
<ul> <li>3.3 Programmes</li> <li>•What work has been done to explore possible programmes and timescales for implementation (recognising ongoing uncertainties in the delivery of key elements of</li> </ul>	n/a - NLWA are in discussion with Biffa regarding potential expansion of the service to include flexible plastics.
<ul> <li>What are current best estimates for delivery timescales (based on current knowledge)?</li> </ul>	Hackney does not have direct control over the timescales for the acceptance of flexible plastics, but will implement the changes as soon as it is viable. It is anticipated that this will be achievable by the required deadline of 2027, or sooner.
<b>3.4 Procurement</b> •Have you identified any related procurement issues or challenges? If so, what initial planning has been undertaken to address these?	n/a - no significant procurement challenges for Hackney.
	Contract specification changes (material acceptance criteria) are required; this arrangement is between NLWA and Biffa.
<ul> <li>3.5 Communications</li> <li>•What considerations have been made for:</li> <li>- Timings of communications</li> </ul>	n/a - no significant service change required.
- Media type - leaflet, website, social media, face to face roadshow or other media - Use of London Recycles imagery	The addition of flexible plastics to the commingled service will be communicated to residents via a range of printed and digital media.
<ul> <li>3.6 Budget</li> <li>Has a budget estimate been undertaken for the implementation of this service?</li> <li>Does this include operational and communications costs?</li> <li>Has budget been committed and profiled for this? If so, over what time period? (We recommend that for flats, boroughs complete a cost-benefit analysis based on the ReLondon Flats Recycling Package toolkit (<u>https://relondon.gov.uk/resources/toolkit-making-recycling-work-for-people-in-flats-cost-benefit-analysis-tool</u>) and share the outcomes with us).</li> </ul>	No budget estimations have been undertaken - unknown budget impacts
If applicable, please share initial budget estimations (including capex, opex and current baseline costs) with the GLA / ReLondon.	

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3.7 Data	
•To what extent do you think that current data collection and reporting systems are fit for purpose for this action given the RWS policy package and changes? If not, what steps do you think are required to remodel data systems?	The council is continually working to update and improve it's data systems which will support the implementation of any changes, subject to sufficient staff resourcing to manage the data tasks involved in changes.
<b>3.8 Support</b> •What support is required from the GLA/ReLondon for any of the above?	<ul> <li>Volume, weight and / or capture rate data for flexible plastics would be useful for scenario planning.</li> <li>Communications and publicity support for local authorities, in the form of funding and / or design materials would support local authorities in engaging with residents when delivering the change. London wide publicity would also be valuable to promote the change to all citizens.</li> <li>Funding for local authorities and / or MRFs to implement the changes.</li> <li>Leverage, pressure and / or legislative change for MRFs would support and speed up the timeframe in which flexible plastics are accepted at MRFs.</li> <li>Support in developing end markets for flexible plastics.</li> </ul>
Any further comments?	-