



Derry City & Strabane
District Council
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A Circular Journey

Conor Canning

Head of Environment

Derry City & Strabane District Council

Where it all began...

1989

Steel Bins > Move to Wheelie Bins



2001/2003

Opening of Recycling Centres





2004 : Blue bin introduction

2% recycling rate



2013: Reuse Centre opens in Derry



2014: Food waste recycling collections creating compost



2017: Circular Economy/Zero Waste Strategy Report by Eunomia

**Zero Waste Circular Economy
Strategy Policies -
37 Policy Measures across 6 Key Headings**



Behavioural Change
& Education



Preparation
& Re-use



Resource Collection
Approach



Green
Procurement



Circular
Economy



National
Influence



2017: Partnership with ZWNW



Recent Years...

2019

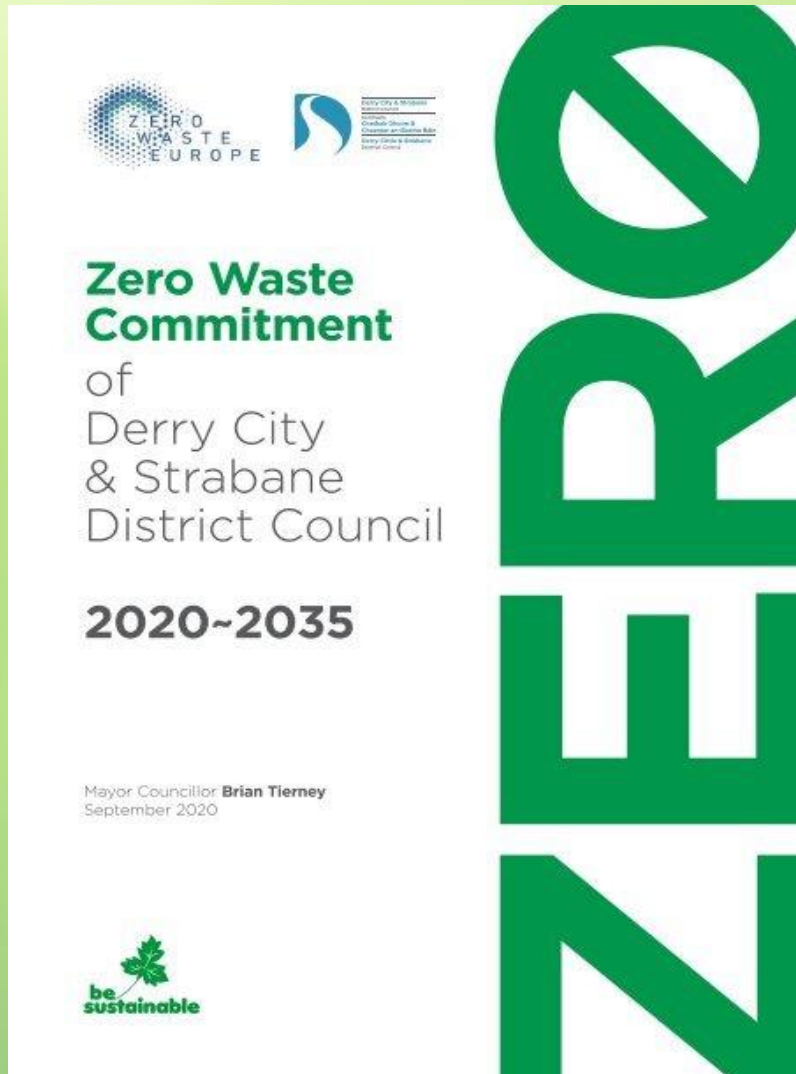
Introduction of garden waste recycling pilot scheme



Leading in Leuven



2021: Zero Waste City Status



2021: Mixed Food & Garden Rollout

- Rollout of garden waste scheme to majority of households in the Derry City and Strabane District as well as mixed garden and food waste collections
- 49% Recycling rate

**Let's mix
it up!**

**You can now recycle
food & garden waste
together**

derrystrabane.com/recycling



Bringing people with us through campaigns and partnerships

- Focus on food waste action
- Partnership with local chefs from Legenderry Food Network & Love Food Hate Waste producing content educating people on how to reduce the amount they through away & how to save money



Food Resilience

- Acorn Farm 'I can grow' & Geodome Project



Acorn Farm



Reuse, Repair and Upskilling Workshops

Derry City & Strabane District Council
Co-ordinators:
Cherise Dineen &
Cherise McKeown
Derry City & Strabane District Council

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Happy Nappy Scheme & Supporting NW Nappy Library



Waste at Events

- Installations
- Glass Deposit Return Schemes – Slow Food & Foyle Maritime Festival
- Waste Segregation
- Sustainability weighting in procurement



*WEE installation
borrowed from
Belfast City Council
for Derry Halloween*



Climate Action

- **Collaboration with GAA through Green Clubs Initiative**
- **The Life Project**
- **Climate Action Through the Arts – The Playhouse & ZWNW**
- **North West Climate Action Plan**
- **Green Infrastructure Plan & Natural Capital Accounting**
- **All Ireland Pollinator Plan ‘Don’t Mow, Let it Grow’ – Pleann Bee, RTE, May 2021.**
- **Greenway Development**
- **Eco schools**



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Improving technology relating to Sustainability

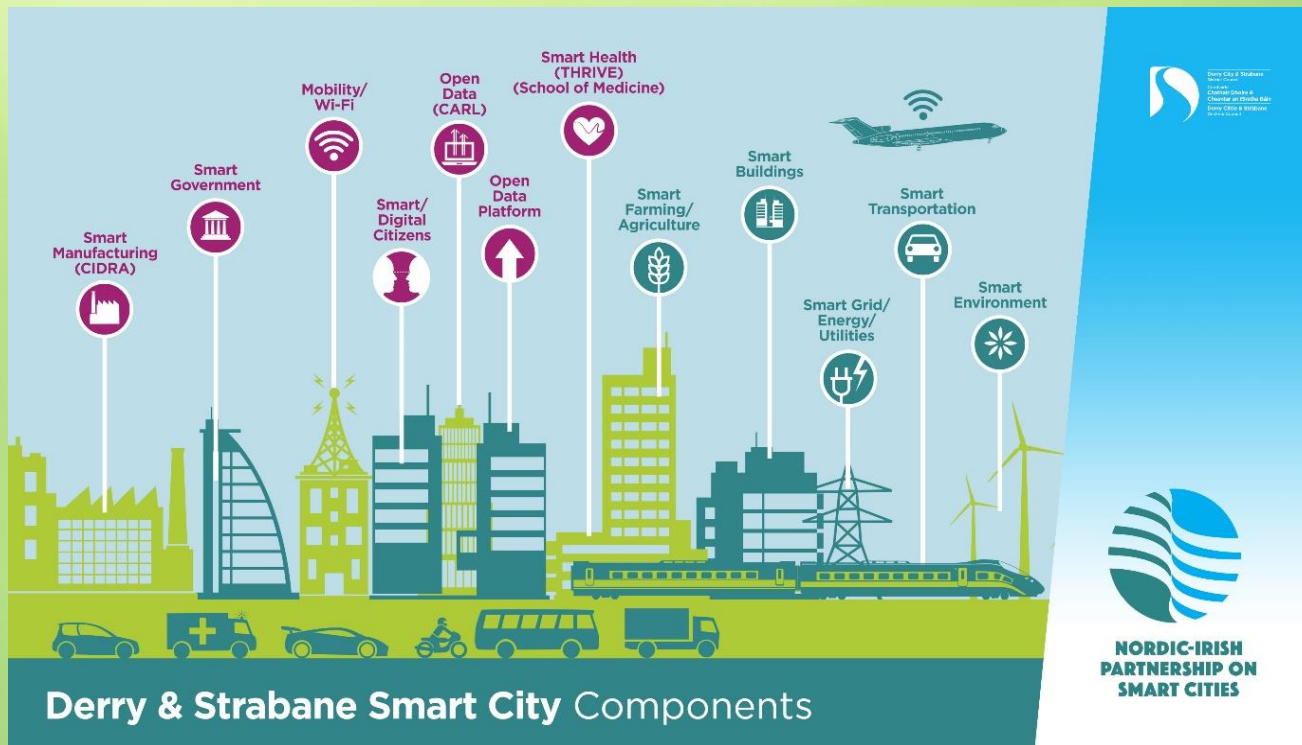
- **EMERGREEN Project**
 - New waste website with integrated chatbot technology
 - Online bookings at RCs & e-commerce capacity
 - Derry Strabane Recycling app (download for your chance to win a tablet)



EMERGREEN



Creating a Smarter City



It hasn't all been plain sailing but we are resilient

- COVID Pandemic
- We'd like to take this opportunity to thank our frontline teams who kept going in the midst of such fear and challenge.



**Ní neart go cur le chéile –
Strength in unity**

**Only by working together can we
achieve a truly
circular economy/society**

