



CRAG Meeting Minutes
14 May 2008

Group attendance and meetings

Following this meeting, and previous meeting attendance for the past 6 months, the numbers attending have been dropping and so it has been decided to cancel meetings for the summer period.

The next meeting for the group will be held on Wednesday 17 September, where the group can discuss and plan for the new kerbside contract and assist the Recycling Team in promotion and publicity for the new service.

Directory Flyer

As the new Directory has been updated online and not re-printed, it was decided to have a small flyer for

distribution at events directing people to the website.

Jay will put something together, unless someone else wants to do this?

Summer Events

Bedford Park Festival

Sunday 8 June

9am-5pm

Bedford Park, Turnham Green, Chiswick

Older Peoples Festival

Wednesday 11 June

11am-2pm

Age Concern, Alexandra House, Brentford

Strand on the Green Summer Fair

Saturday 14 June

11am-3pm

S-O-T-G School, Chiswick

Hounslow Green Fair

(incorporating a Give and Take event)

Saturday 21 June

10am-3pm

Civic Centre, Lampton Road, Hounslow

Woodlands Estate Summer Fair

Sunday 20 July

10am-4pm

Woodlands Estate,

Woodlands Road, Isleworth

Great Brentford Picnic

Wednesday 6 August

11am- 3pm

St Pauls Park, Lateward Road,

Brentford

Brentford Festival

Sunday 7 September

12-5.30pm

Boston Manor Park,

Brentford

If you need any more info about any of the above, please call Jay on 020 8583 5058.

Grundons Visit

The visit was very interesting and showed how plastics are separated and baled through a MRF (Materials Recycling Facility where mixed recyclables are sent).

The recyclables pass through a 'trommel' (basically a large revolving tube that breaks

down and separates the waste). Smaller pieces such as paper and pieces of plastic pass through first and come out of the tube, where they are sorted by hand on long conveyor belts. The larger pieces stay until the end (including paper, cardboard and plastic bottles), where they again are sorted by hand before being baled and sorted. Before items go into the trommel they are sorted by hand to remove contaminants.

The larger plastic bottles are baled and sent for re-processing into a raw material ready to be manufactured into a new item- the smaller pieces of plastic are taken to Grundons Heat and Power Plant in Colnbrook, Slough- much of this type and grade of plastic is used as EfW (Energy from Waste) as it is a low grade material and very expensive to recycle.

