

Reply to enquiry Resource Media

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These are unprecedented times and our members strive to ensure public and workforce protection is in the forefront of delivering waste management services to their communities. Those who are working should be mindful that if they develop symptoms of Coronavirus (however mild), they must stay at home and self-isolate.

Our members are advised to follow central government guidelines and industry best-practice whilst delivering frontline services. There are a number of practices which could help including PPE equipment, cleaning/hygiene products and practices, minimise staff rotation and movements, staggering start/finish times etc. We all need to play our part at work and home in stopping the spread of the virus. Whilst we deliver essential services things undoubtedly will change very quickly and we all need to ensure we are ready to adapt quickly.

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About us:

NAWDO, the National Association of Waste Disposal Officers, is the primary network and voice for local authorities with statutory responsibility for waste treatment and disposal. NAWDO was formed in 1992 and its members include London Boroughs, Metropolitan, Unitary, Joint Waste Disposal Authorities, Waste Partnerships and County Councils from all UK regions (except Scotland) to keep up to date with the fast changing waste and resources industry. Through NAWDO local authorities are provided with presentation on regional, national, international and strategic forums and groups to inform, influence and collaborate with key stakeholders and policy makers. NAWDO is entirely run by volunteers and through its Policy and Advisory (P&A) Committee it sets the direction of the organisation with member engagement. With over 80 members NAWDO represents around 80% of all local authorities with waste disposal duties in the UK. NAWDO holds quarterly meetings where its members, central government, regulators, waste industry and other affiliated groups discuss and debate challenges and current developments in the waste and resources industry, helping shape and influence (future) decisions and policy. It also provides an online forum where members can openly discuss and debate current and relevant issues facing senior officers with waste treatment and disposal portfolios.

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