

COUNCIL MEETING – 12TH SEPTEMBER

NOTICE OF MOTION

This council notes with concern the increasingly poor performance of Veolia to undertake the waste management duties that it is contracted to do, and which Merton taxpayers have paid for.

As of 1st September, 1,277 people have signed the Conservative led public petition calling upon Merton Council to return weekly bin collections; and allow residents to retain their own waste bins, without being forced into the new system against their will.

In recent months the performance of Veolia has markedly deteriorated:

- Since the beginning of June the number of missed bin collections has increased by a third;
- Veolia has not hit its target for removing detritus from Merton's streets since April;
- Veolia has failed to meet its target for clearing litter from the streets since early May, during June and July over 25% of sites were considered to be below standard.

Veolia's performance has been unacceptable, and this council resolves to request the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel to establish a subcommittee to focus on Veolia's performance and ensure that they meet their own targets. The subcommittee will be open to residents groups to ensure that the voices of the people of Merton are heard and that they get value for money.

Cllr Daniel Holden

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