

Item 107 Bottle banks response from ESC

BOTTLE BANKS

During the lock down and changing in working patterns this year we have seen an increase in contamination of our blue bins , sometimes as high as 20 pct

A continuous issue being glass bottles .

This is very frustrating as we constantly promote glass bins and how residents should dispose of bottles - and I know town and parish councils continue to encourage the use of these bins

Infact its really important as glass in a bottle bin is closed recycling , ie this is then processed and becomes another bottle - glass just placed in the black bin ends up as aggregate and is 'recycled ' only once . Glass in the blue bin contaminates the recycling load and it is then processed as general waste .

I would certainly encourage Lowestoft town council to encourage the use of the glass bins and if you feel there is a need for an additional bin please contact Indigo on 01842 820804 or email recycling@indigowaste.co.uk

Although noise is the primary issue so location is very important , no matter how many signs you erect to remind users to think of neighbours this is ignored .