

<b>Report Title</b>		Report RL 29/03/19 - 06
Flats initiative		
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<b>Summary</b>
This paper presents an update on the flat project activities in line with the Resource London programme delivery plan.

<b>Recommendation</b>
To note the contents of the report.

<b>Risk Management</b>	
<b>Risk</b>	<b>Action to mitigate risk</b>
N/A – no decisions being made	

<b>Implications</b>	
<b>Legal</b> N/A – no decisions being made	
<b>Financial</b> N/A – no decisions being made	
<b>Equalities</b> N/A – no decisions being made	
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### Supporting Report

<b>Purpose of the paper</b>
To provide the Partnership Board with a progress report on the development of the flats project.

## Report

### Existing purpose-built flats

Output indicator	1	2	3	4
Deliver the flats recycling project working with selected London boroughs and the Peabody Housing Association, and ensuring that wider stakeholders are engaged.	G	G	G	G

The project is now in its operational phase and is going well. The information below highlights key activities since the last meeting as well as next steps.

#### Press activity

Resource London launched a minimum standards communications toolkit and published the ethnographic research on 11 February 2019. The toolkit has been downloaded 46 and ethnographic research 32 times.

- The release was featured in 4 publications. [Recycle International](#), [Recycling and Waste World](#), [CIWM Journal \(Chartered Institute of Waste Management\)](#) and [Let's Recycle](#).
- The release and associated documents can be found at: <https://resourcelondon.org/revealing-research-gives-insights-into-how-to-increase-recycling-rates-in-flats/>.

#### Interim monitoring

One week of waste compositional analysis was conducted in early December 2018. The result show trends that suggest the interventions are having a positive impact, with the overall recycling and capture rates appearing to improve and contamination coming down. A verbal update and presentation on the interim monitoring will be given at the meeting.

The final full waste composition analysis marking the end of the project will be conducted in May-June 2019 (mirroring the analysis undertaken in May-June 2018). This will provide more definitive results and recommendations, which will then be published.

### Next steps

#### Resident and stakeholder feedback

Qualitative research to explore and gather resident and wider stakeholder opinions and interpretations of the various interventions being piloted is being conducted between April – June 2019. This will comprise

- Resident Insight – 6 residents recruited on each estate to complete a diary and a face to face interviews = 72 residents in total
- Stakeholder Insights
  - Face to face interview the 12 estate caretakers
  - Local authority representatives x 6
  - Collection crew supervisors x 6

- Peabody – 2 x Caretaker Managers, Head of Estates and Project Manager
- RL team x 4

Post project waste analysis

8 weeks of tonnage monitoring during May/June 2019 (mirroring the same period as pre monitoring) and 1 week waste composition analysis.

Analysis and dissemination

The project outputs will be analysed over the Summer with dissemination of results planned for late Summer 2019>.

**New Build Flats:**

<b>Output indicator</b>	1	2	3	4
Build a base of evidence to influence architects, developers and policy makers to incorporate recycling and sustainable waste management infrastructure at the heart of new developments across the capital.	A	A	A	A

No further update from previous report as focus has been on delivering the Peabody recycling project.

Resource London are currently in discussions with the GLA about feeding into revisions of housing guidance and other related planning documents.