

Waste Management Plan

Supporting Happy Hearts

22 Hillside Avenue, Huyton, L36 8DX

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1. Introduction

This Waste Management Plan outlines how Supporting Happy Hearts will manage waste generated at the residential care home at 22 Hillside Avenue, Huyton. The plan ensures waste is handled safely, hygienically, and in line with environmental best practices and Knowsley Council's local waste regulations.

2. Type and Volume of Waste

The home will accommodate one child and two staff members at any given time. Waste generated will be comparable to a small family household and may include:

- General household waste
- Mixed recyclables (paper, plastics, cans, glass)
- Food waste
- Sanitary waste
- Office-related waste
- Occasional clinical waste if needed No specialist or additional waste streams are expected as the child does not have medical or complex needs.

3. Waste Storage and Disposal

Waste will be sorted at source using colour-coded, clearly labelled bins. Provisions include:

- 1 x 240L black bin for general waste
- 1 x 240L blue bin for recyclables
- 1 x 240L brown bin for food/garden waste (subject to council collection)
- Sanitary bins in bathrooms

All bins will be stored securely at the side of the property, accessible for scheduled collections. A staff member will be responsible for managing waste collection days.

4. Internal Waste Practices

Best practices for internal waste separation include:

- Pedal bins with liners in shared areas
- Separate kitchen bins for food, recycling, and general waste

- Regularly emptied sanitary bins
- Safe storage and disposal of cleaning chemicals in accordance with COSHH guidelines

5. Clinical and Hazardous Waste

Where clinical waste is generated (e.g. wound dressings), the following measures apply:

- Storage in colour-coded containers
- Collection by licensed waste contractor
- Record keeping in line with regulatory guidance

6. Staff Training and Responsibilities

All staff will be trained on:

- Correct waste segregation
- Infection control procedures
- Safe use of storage areas

A designated Waste Coordinator will oversee compliance. The Registered Manager will be responsible for monitoring adherence to the waste plan and ensuring proper record-keeping as part of administrative oversight.

7. Environmental Commitment

Supporting Happy Hearts is committed to environmental responsibility, including:

- Reducing single-use plastics
- Promoting recycling and reuse
- Choosing eco-friendly supplies where possible

8. Review and Monitoring

This plan will be reviewed biannually or following changes in occupancy or waste policy. Feedback will be used to refine and improve procedures.