

## **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

### **Daily Operational Sit Rep**

#### **8:30am morning update:**

##### **1. Morning deployment from depots:**

**Atlas and supporting depots:** 33 vehicles have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 20 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket at the depot this morning with approx. 40 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:40 am.

**Smithfield:** 28 vehicles deployed; 2 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket at Lifford depot today with approx. 50 protesters. There is a picket at Smithfield depot today and there are approx. 60 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:30 am.

**Perry Barr:** 21 vehicles deployed; 9 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket at the depot this morning with approx. 30/40 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 07:15 am (delay was due to the fire alarm going off in the depot, not due to the picket).

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today so far: 113 including 82 BCC vehicles and 31 for Coventry.**

1 x MHRC running seven days a week.

2. Opening hours of the Household Waste & Recycling Centres: continued extended opening hours in operation: Kings Norton 07.00 - 21:00, weekends 08:00-18:00 and other centres 08.00 until 18:00 weekdays and 08:00-16:30 weekends. Showing 53% booked for Monday 8th December and 26% booked for Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **Data report for Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1191 tonnes collected at kerbside; 189 tonnes collected at the HWRC.**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**No.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**56% of scheduled collections (Friday 5th December). This was due to ‘Mega Picket 3’. The City’s strategic management team authorised the suspension of services on 01.12.2025 on Health and Safety grounds. We will continue to collect a day behind until the City’s collections are caught up.**

**All scheduled collections for week commencing Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December were completed by Sunday 7th December.**

**Data report for Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**377 tonnes collected at kerbside; 129 tonnes collected at the HWRC.**

**Data report for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**303 tonnes collected at kerbside; 143 tonnes collected at the HWRC.**

**Agency planned deployment.**

**Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	29	3
Perry Barr	22	22	0
Smithfield	27	23	4

The variance at Smithfield and Atlas is due to sickness and is covered by Birmingham City Council full time drivers.

**Loaders:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	105	63	42
Perry Barr	82	39	43
Smithfield	82	55	27

Variance in loaders is line with operational expectations.

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**

- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **31 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 31 vehicles**

- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**

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**Birmingham Socialist Party in Birmingham.**

10 Dec 2025 · 🌐

One post, three actions to support of Birmingham's striking bin workers:

- Protest outside Job and Talent, the agency providing labour to break the strike - whose employees are now on strike themselves!
- Direct action at Tysley Depot. We joined independent community activists to block wagons to subvert Labour's attempts to prevent effective picketting.
- Protest at the German market - We joined Unite activists and other trade unionists to expose how the council is preventing waste being recycled in Birmingham.

Get in touch if you want to join us in supporting the strike!

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**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Daily Operational Sit Rep**

**8:30am morning update:**

**1. Morning deployment from depots:**

**Atlas and supporting depots:** As of 04:30am 16 vehicles have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 16 Coventry crews deployed. As of 08:30 am 16 vehicles still to be deployed. There is a protester blockade of 8 activists on Redfern Road. The activists are pigeon walking in front of the vehicles stopping them from deploying. Separately there are approx. 30/40 Unite protesters in the designated fenced off areas.

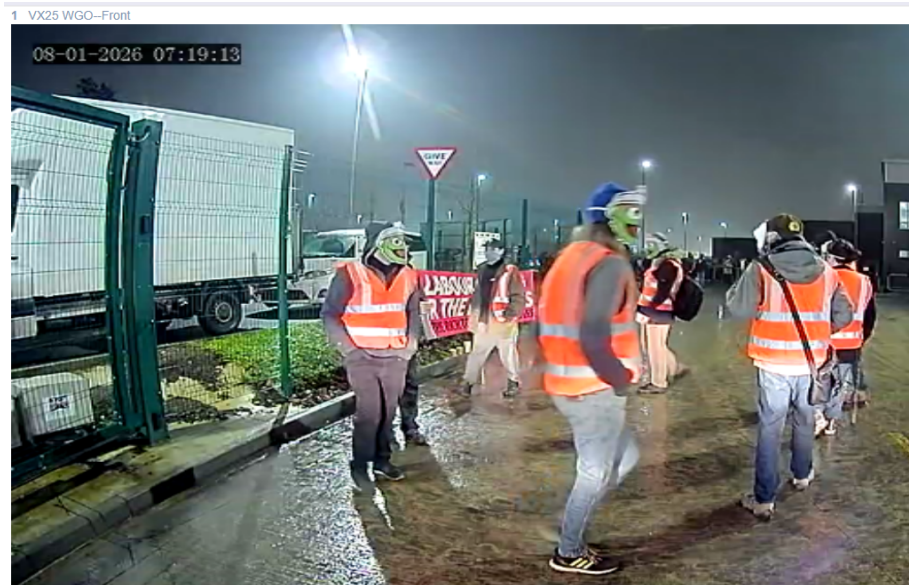


**Smithfield:** 30 vehicles have been deployed from Smithfield and 2 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket at Smithfield depot today on Sherlock Street with approx. 30/40 protesters present. All vehicles deployed safely by 6:30am.

**Perry Barr:** As of 08:30 there are 0 BCC vehicles deployed; 7 Coventry crews deployed. There is a protester blockade of 8 activists on Holeford Drive at the entrance to the depot. The activists are pigeon walking in front



of the vehicles stopping them from deploying. Separately there are approx. 30/40 Unite protesters in the designated fenced off areas. This has also stopped all Street Cleansing vehicles from deploying. West Midlands Police have been notified, and Silver Command has confirmed that he will ensure that Police will be in attendance.



**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today so far: 71, including 46 BCC vehicles and 25 for Coventry. As of 08:30am there are 38 BCC vehicles not deployed.**

***Any missed collections from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026 will not be collected until 15.01.2026 when a double collection will be undertaken.***

1 x MHRC running seven days a week.

2. Opening hours of the Household Waste & Recycling Centres: continued extended opening hours in operation: Kings Norton 07.00 - 21:00, weekends 08:00-18:00 and other centres 08.00 until 18:00 weekdays and 08:00-16:30 weekends. Between 21.12.2025 and 31.01.2026 all Household Waste and Recycling centres have extended opening hours from 07:00am until 21:00pm Monday to Friday and 08:00am until 18:00pm Saturday and Sunday. Booked slots are currently showing 42% for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January and 31% for Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

Row Labels	07-Jan-26	08-Jan-26	09-Jan-26	10-Jan-26	11-Jan-26
Kings Norton	100	100	100	100	73.5
Perry Barr	16.9	4.9	2.4	3	1.7
Sutton Coldfield	26.2	7.7	5.7	8.4	3.2
Tyseley	32.7	8.7	5.6	8.6	4.9
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>175.8</b>	<b>121.3</b>	<b>113.7</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>83.3</b>

### **Data report for Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1163 tonnes collected at kerbside; 140 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**Yes.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**99% of scheduled collections (Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January)**

**Agency planned deployment.**

### **Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	30	2
Perry Barr	22	22	0
Smithfield	27	25	2

The variance at Atlas is due to sickness and is covered by Birmingham City Council full time drivers.

### **Loaders:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	105	69	36
Perry Barr	82	48	34
Smithfield	82	62	20

Variance in loaders is line with operational expectations.

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**



- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **25 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 31 vehicles**
- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**

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**Importance:** Normal

**Sensitivity:** None

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Good Morning All,

Perry Barr depot deployed all vehicles by 09:10am.

Atlas depot deployed all vehicles by 10.10am.

*Kind Regards,*

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Good morning all,

Please find attached this mornings' update providing an overview of what has been deployed today.

Please also see the link below to the dashboard showing progress made to date.

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*Kind Regards,*

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**Subject:** Sit Rep - 06.01.2026

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Please find attached this mornings' update providing an overview of what has been deployed and the plans for yesterday and today.

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Kind regards,

Anita Niles

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Justice For Refuse Workers & Cleansers's post



Justice For Refuse Workers & Cleansers

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A good morning and happy new year for all the gang in Birmingham; this week marked a year on strike for the Brum dust and today a couple of depots were apparently prevented from operating by a plucky group of activists who are unhappy with the actions of the Labour Council there.  
Get stuck right in folks.



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**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Daily Operational Sit Rep**

**8:30am morning update:**

**1. Morning deployment from depots:**

Due to adverse weather conditions all waste collections have been suspended.

1 x MHRC running seven days a week-suspended today.

2. Opening hours of the Household Waste & Recycling Centres: continued extended opening hours in operation: Kings Norton 07.00 - 21:00, weekends 08:00-18:00 and other centres 08.00 until 18:00 weekdays and 08:00-16:30 weekends. Between 21.12.2025 and 31.01.2026 all Household Waste and Recycling centres have extended opening hours from 07:00am until 21:00pm Monday to Friday and 08:00am until 18:00pm Saturday and Sunday. Booked slots are currently showing 26% for Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January, 25% for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January and 18% for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025, all HWRC have been closed.

**Data report for Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1089 tonnes collected at kerbside; 152 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**No**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**82% of scheduled collections (Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January), this was due to activists blockading Perry Barr and Atlas depots.**

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**

- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **25 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 31 vehicles**

- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**

## **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

### **Daily Operational Sit Rep**

#### **8:30am morning update:**

##### **1. Morning deployment from depots:**

**Atlas and supporting depots:** As of 04:30am 15 vehicles have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 16 Coventry crews deployed. As of 08:30 am 19 vehicles still to be deployed. There is a protester blockade of 8 activists on Redfern Road. The activists are pigeon walking in front of the vehicles stopping them from deploying. Separately there are approx. 30/40 Unite protesters in the designated fenced off areas. Police are yet to arrive on site.

**Smithfield:** 30 vehicles have been deployed from Smithfield and 2 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket at Smithfield depot today on Sherlock Street with approx. 40/50 protesters present. All vehicles deployed safely by 6:30am.

**Perry Barr:** As of 08:30, 1 BCC vehicle has been deployed; 7 Coventry crews deployed. 20 BCC vehicles are still to be deployed. There is a protester blockade of 8 activists on Holeford Drive at the entrance to the depot. The activists are pigeon walking in front of the vehicles stopping them from deploying. Separately there are approx. 30/40 Unite protesters in the designated fenced off areas. Police are in attendance.

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today so far: 71, including 46 BCC vehicles and 25 for Coventry. As of 08:30am there are 39 BCC vehicles not deployed.**

***Any missed collections from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 are being collected today (Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January), subject to vehicle deployment.***

1 x MHRC running seven days a week.

2. Opening hours of the Household Waste & Recycling Centres: continued extended opening hours in operation: Kings Norton 07.00 - 21:00, weekends 08:00-18:00 and other centres 08.00 until 18:00 weekdays and 08:00-16:30 weekends. Between 21.12.2025 and 31.01.2026 all Household Waste and Recycling centres have extended opening hours from 07:00am until 21:00pm Monday to Friday and 08:00am until 18:00pm Saturday and Sunday. Booked slots are currently showing 44% for Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January and 21% for Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

**Data report for Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**0 tonnes collected at kerbside; 0 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**No.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**0% of scheduled collections (Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January), this was due to all Waste services being cancelled due to the adverse weather conditions.**

**Data report for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**0 tonnes collected at kerbside; 0 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

**Data report for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**80 tonnes collected at kerbside; 79 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

**Agency planned deployment.****Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	30	2
Perry Barr	22	21	1
Smithfield	27	26	1

The variance at Atlas is due to sickness and is covered by Birmingham City Council full time drivers.

**Loaders:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	105	66	39
Perry Barr	82	41	41
Smithfield	82	62	20

Variance in loaders is line with operational expectations.

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**



- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **26 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 31 vehicles**
- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**





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**Importance:** Normal

**Sensitivity:** None

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Good Morning All,

Perry Barr depot deployed all vehicles by 09:10am.

Atlas depot deployed all vehicles by 10.10am.

*Kind Regards,*

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Kind regards,

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## **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

### **Daily Operational Sit Rep**

#### **8:30am morning update:**

##### **1. Morning deployment from depots:**

**Atlas and supporting depots:** 36 vehicles BCC vehicles have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 15 Coventry crews deployed. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:45am. There is a picket on Redfern Road with approx. 30/40 protesters.

**Smithfield:** 30 vehicles have been deployed from Smithfield; 2 Coventry crews deployed. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:30am. There is no picket or protesters at Smithfield or Lifford depot today.

**Perry Barr:** 22 BCC vehicle have been deployed; 8 Coventry crews deployed. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:45am. There is no picket at the depot however there are approx. 30/40 protesters.

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today so far: 113, including 88 BCC vehicles and 25 for Coventry.**

***Any missed collections from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 will be collected as a double collection (excess waste taken) on the scheduled day this week. Any missed collections form Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January will be collected as a double collection (excess waste taken) on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January.***

1 x MHRC running seven days a week.

2. Opening hours of the Household Waste & Recycling Centres: continued extended opening hours in operation: Kings Norton 07.00 - 21:00, weekends 08:00-18:00 and other centres 08.00 until 18:00 weekdays and 08:00-16:30 weekends. Between 21.12.2025 and 31.01.2026 all Household Waste and Recycling centres have extended opening hours from 07:00am until 21:00pm Monday to Friday and 08:00am until 18:00pm Saturday and Sunday. Booked slots are currently showing 41% for Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January and 26% for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January.

#### **Data report for Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1206 tonnes collected at kerbside; 250 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**No.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**22% of scheduled collections (Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January). This was due to activists blockading Atlas and Perry Barr depots and vehicles not being released.**

**Agency planned deployment.**

**Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	32	0
Perry Barr	22	22	0
Smithfield	27	25	2

The variance at Atlas is due to sickness and is covered by Birmingham City Council full time drivers.

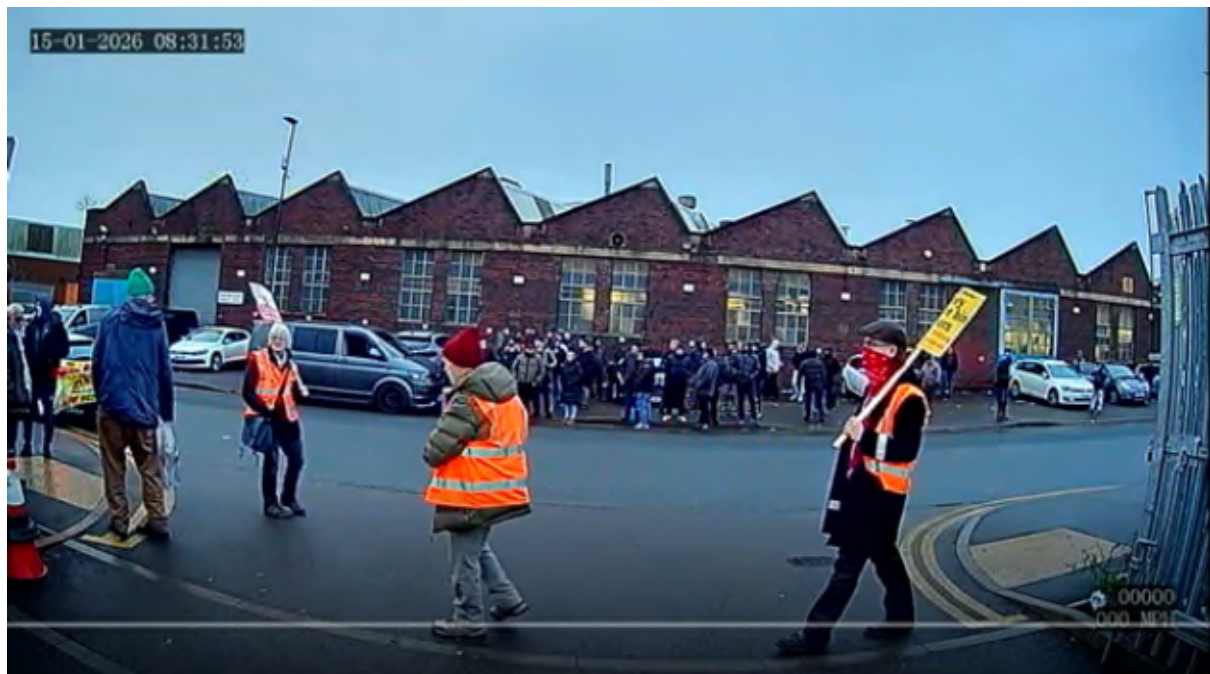
**Loaders:**

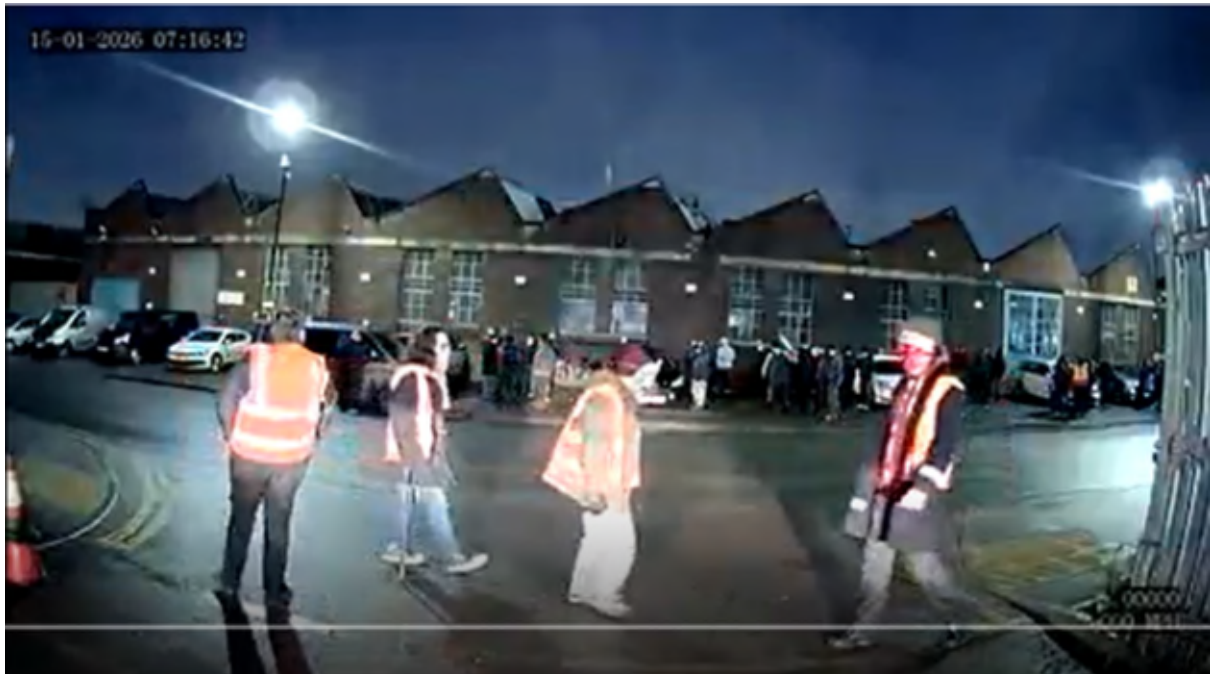
	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	105	70	35
Perry Barr	82	43	39
Smithfield	82	61	21

Variance in loaders is in line with operational expectations.

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**

- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **26 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 31 vehicles**
- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**





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**Refer to DM/51 in the OneDrive Folder**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Daily Operational Sit Rep**

**8:30am morning update:**

1. Morning deployment from depots:

**Atlas and supporting depots:** 18 BCC vehicles have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 15 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket on Redfern Road with approx. 30 protesters. As of 08:30am, 17 BCC vehicles are still to be deployed as activists are blocking the entrance on Redfern Road by pigeon walking in front of the gate. Police in attendance as of 08:00am.

**Smithfield:** 9 BCC vehicles have been deployed from Smithfield; 2 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket outside Smithfield depot with approx. 100 protesters. As of 08:30am, 21 BCC vehicles are still to be deployed as activists are blocking the entrance on by pigeon walking in front of the gate. Police are in attendance as of 08:00am. There are no pickets or protesters at Lifford depot.

**Perry Barr:** 22 BCC vehicle have been deployed; 8 Coventry crews deployed. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:45am. There is no picket at the depot however there are approx. 30/40 protesters.

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today so far: 74, including 49 BCC vehicles and 25 for Coventry. 38 vehicles are still to be deployed as of 08:30am.**

***Any missed collections from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 will be collected as a double collection (excess waste taken) on the scheduled day this week. Any missed collections form Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January will be collected as a double collection (excess waste taken) on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January.***

1 x MHRC running seven days a week.

2. Opening hours of the Household Waste & Recycling Centres: continued extended opening hours in operation: Kings Norton 07.00 - 21:00, weekends 08:00-18:00 and other centres 08.00 until 18:00 weekdays and 08:00-16:30 weekends. Between 21.12.2025 and 31.01.2026 all Household Waste and Recycling centres have extended opening hours from 07:00am until 21:00pm Monday to Friday and 08:00am until 18:00pm Saturday and Sunday. Booked slots are currently showing 43% for Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January and 22% for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January.

**Data report for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1420 tonnes collected at kerbside; 139 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**Yes.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**67 % of scheduled collections (Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January) were made.**

**Perry Barr and Atlas depot currently have 50% of their Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 collections outstanding. They also have 70% of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January work outstanding.**

**Agency planned deployment.**

**Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	31	1
Perry Barr	22	22	0
Smithfield	27	25	2

The variance at Atlas is due to sickness and is covered by Birmingham City Council full time drivers.

**Loaders:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	105	68	37
Perry Barr	82	43	39
Smithfield	82	61	21

Variance in loaders is in line with operational expectations.

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**

- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **26 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 31 vehicles**
- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**

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**Importance:** Normal

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Good Morning All,

All vehicles now deployed.

Atlas 10:05am

Smithfield 09:10am.

*Kind Regards,*

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**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Daily Operational Sit Rep**

**8:30am morning update:**

**1. Morning deployment from depots:**

**Atlas and supporting depots:** 36 BCC vehicle have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 15 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket on Redfern Road with approx. 30/40 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:45am.

**Smithfield:** 29 BCC vehicle have been deployed; 2 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket outside the depot with approx. 30/40 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:30am.

**Perry Barr:** 22 BCC vehicle have been deployed; 8 Coventry crews deployed. There is no picket at the depot however there are approx. 30/40 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:45am

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today so far: 112, including 87 BCC vehicles and 25 for Coventry.**

**Please see below summary of support from West Midlands Police regarding the blockading at Perry Barr and Atlas depots on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

*'Blockading was reported at Smithfield depot at 06:04 and at Atlas Depot at 06:09. The incidents were immediately reported to via 111 and crime references were provided. The police response was swift and at both depots we police were on site within the hour.*

*At Smithfield the police managed to 'negotiate' with the protestors that vehicles would be allowed to leave every 15 minutes. The protestors adhered to this deal and allowed vehicles to leave every 15 minutes. Police remained on site until 09:00 whereby they facilitated the release of all vehicles in accordance with the Ziegler 'agreement' that protestors can only be on site for 3 hours.*

*At Atlas the police attended but were not able to negotiate the early release of the vehicles with the protestors. We asked if the vehicles could be released at 09:00 but the police advised they were not prepared to support this request and agreed with the protestors that vehicles would be released at 10:00 as the protestors had to leave at this*

time. I did escalate the situation and explain I had agreed the 3-hour timeline with Silver Command. Unfortunately, the police on site at Atlas were not prepared to support this request.'

**Any missed collections from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 will be collected as a double collection (excess waste taken) on the scheduled day this week. Any missed collections form Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January will be collected as a double collection (excess waste taken) on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January.**

1 x MHRC running seven days a week.

2. Opening hours of the Household Waste & Recycling Centres: continued extended opening hours in operation: Kings Norton 07.00 - 21:00, weekends 08:00-18:00 and other centres 08.00 until 18:00 weekdays and 08:00-16:30 weekends. Between 21.12.2025 and 31.01.2026 all Household Waste and Recycling centres have extended opening hours from 07:00am until 21:00pm Monday to Friday and 08:00am until 18:00pm Saturday and Sunday. Booked slots are currently showing 45% for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 31% for Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January and 20% for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January.

**Please see below table showing HWRC slots booked for yesterday.**

Thursday 15/01/2026 (Cars)				
LOCATION	AVAILABLE SLOTS	BOOKED SLOTS	REMAINING SLOTS	PERCENTAGE BOOKED
Sutton Coldfield	1696	778	918	45.9%
Kings Norton	912	897	15	98.4%
Perry Barr	1176	476	700	40.5%
Castle Bromwich	0	0	0	#DIV/0!
Tyseley	1420	687	733	48.4%

Thursday 15/01/2026 (Vans)				
LOCATION	AVAILABLE SLOTS	BOOKED SLOTS	REMAINING SLOTS	PERCENTAGE BOOKED
Sutton Coldfield	24	24	0	100.0%
Kings Norton	0	0	0	
Perry Barr	24	22	2	91.7%
Castle Bromwich	24	17	7	70.8%
Tyseley	48	47	1	97.9%

**Data report for Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1182 tonnes collected at kerbside; 156 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**No-due to activists blockading at Atlas and Perr Barr depots.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**77% of scheduled collections (Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January) were made.**

**Perry Barr and Atlas depot currently have 50% of their Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 collections outstanding. They also have 70% of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January work outstanding.**

**Agency planned deployment.**

**Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	32	0
Perry Barr	22	22	0
Smithfield	27	25	2

The variance at Atlas is due to sickness and is covered by Birmingham City Council full time drivers.

**Loaders:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	105	70	35
Perry Barr	82	43	39
Smithfield	82	59	23

Variance in loaders is in line with operational expectations.

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**

- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **26 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 31 vehicles**
- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**

**Wednesday 21st January 2026**

**Daily Operational Sit Rep**

**8:30am morning update:**

**1. Morning deployment from depots:**

**Atlas and supporting depots:** As of 08:00 am, 18 BCC vehicle have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 14 Coventry crews deployed. There are activists on Redfern Road pigeon walking in front of the gate stopping vehicles from deploying. There is a picket at the depot with approx. 50/60 protesters. 18 vehicles still to deploy.

**Smithfield:** 30 BCC vehicle have been deployed. There is no picket outside the depot however there are approx. 25/30 protesters. There is no picket or protesters outside Lifford depot. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:30am.

**Perry Barr:** As of 08:00am, 8 vehicles have been deployed from the depot: 13 Coventry crews deployed. There are activists at the deployment gate pigeon walking in front of the vehicles hindering them from deploying, however they are slowly being released. There is a picket at the depot with approx. 30/40 protesters. 14 vehicles still to deploy.

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today: 83, including 56 BCC vehicles and 27 for Coventry. 32 BCC vehicles still to deploy.**

***Missed collections from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January have now been completed.***

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There are protesters at the MHRC site on Yardley Wood Road in Billesley.





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**Please see below table showing HWRC slots booked for Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January.**



Tuesday 20/01/2026 (Cars)				
LOCATION	AVAILABLE SLOTS	BOOKED SLOTS	REMAINING SLOTS	PERCENTAGE BOOKED
Sutton Coldfield	1696	782	914	46.1%
Kings Norton	912	892	20	97.8%
Perry Barr	1176	431	745	36.6%
Castle Bromwich	0	0	0	#DIV/0!
Tyseley	1420	797	623	56.1%

Tuesday 20/01/2026 (Vans)				
LOCATION	AVAILABLE SLOTS	BOOKED SLOTS	REMAINING SLOTS	PERCENTAGE BOOKED
Sutton Coldfield	24	24	0	100.0%
Kings Norton	0	0	0	
Perry Barr	24	24	0	100.0%
Castle Bromwich	24	17	7	70.8%
Tyseley	48	47	1	97.9%

#### **Data report for Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1298 tonnes collected at kerbside; 167 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**No, due to making double collections from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**76 % of scheduled collections (Tuesday 21st January) were made.**

**Agency planned deployment.**

**Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	28	4
Perry Barr	22	22	0
Smithfield	27	24	3

The variance at Atlas is due to sickness and is covered by Birmingham City Council full time drivers.

**Loaders:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	105	63	42
Perry Barr	82	44	39
Smithfield	82	60	22

Variance in loaders is in line with operational expectations.

What are our deployment plans for tomorrow? **As follows –**

- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **26 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 30 vehicles**
- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**