

## **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

### **Daily Operational Sit Rep**

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

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

**Atlas and supporting depots:** 32 BCC vehicle have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots; 14 Coventry crews deployed. There is no picket at the depot however there are approx. 30/40 protesters on Redfern Road. All vehicles deployed safely by 07:17am.

**Smithfield:** 30 BCC vehicle have been deployed. There is no picket outside the depot however there are approx. 15/20 protesters. There is no picket or protesters outside Lifford depot. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:30am.

**Perry Barr:** 22 BCC vehicle have been deployed; 11 Coventry crews deployed. There is no picket at the depot however there are approx. 30/40 protesters. All vehicles safely deployed by 06:40am.

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today: 109, including 84 BCC vehicles and 25 for Coventry.**

***Missed collections from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January will be completed today (20.01.2026).***

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 40% for Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January and 28% for Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January.

**Please see below table showing HWRC slots booked for Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January.**

<b>Monday 19/01/2026 (Cars)</b>				
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>AVAILABLE SLOTS</b>	<b>BOOKED SLOTS</b>	<b>REMAINING SLOTS</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE BOOKED</b>
Sutton Coldfield	1696	1050	646	61.9%
Kings Norton	912	897	15	98.4%
Perry Barr	1176	528	648	44.9%
Castle Bromwich	0	0	0	#DIV/0!
Tyseley	1420	986	434	69.4%

<b>Monday 19/01/2026 (Vans)</b>				
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>AVAILABLE SLOTS</b>	<b>BOOKED SLOTS</b>	<b>REMAINING SLOTS</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE BOOKED</b>
Sutton Coldfield	24	23	1	95.8%
Kings Norton	0	0	0	
Perry Barr	24	22	3	91.7%
Castle Bromwich	24	16	8	66.7%
Tyseley	48	44	4	91.7%

**Data report for Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1268 tonnes collected at kerbside; 211 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?

**75% of scheduled collections (Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January) were made.**

**Agency planned deployment.**

**Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	28	4
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	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**

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## 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.***

1 x MHRC running seven days a week.

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



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 38% for Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January and 23% for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January.

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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:**

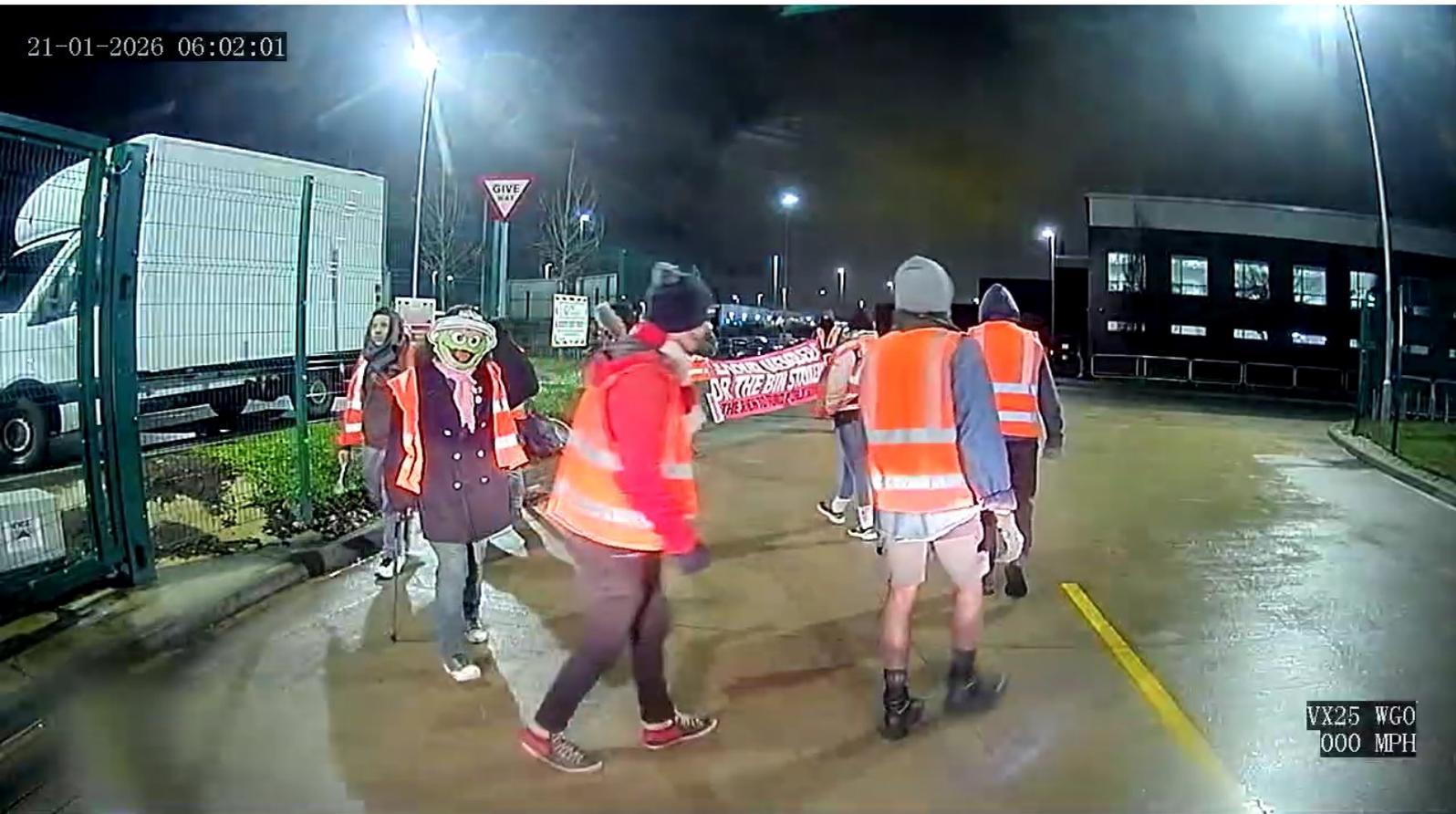
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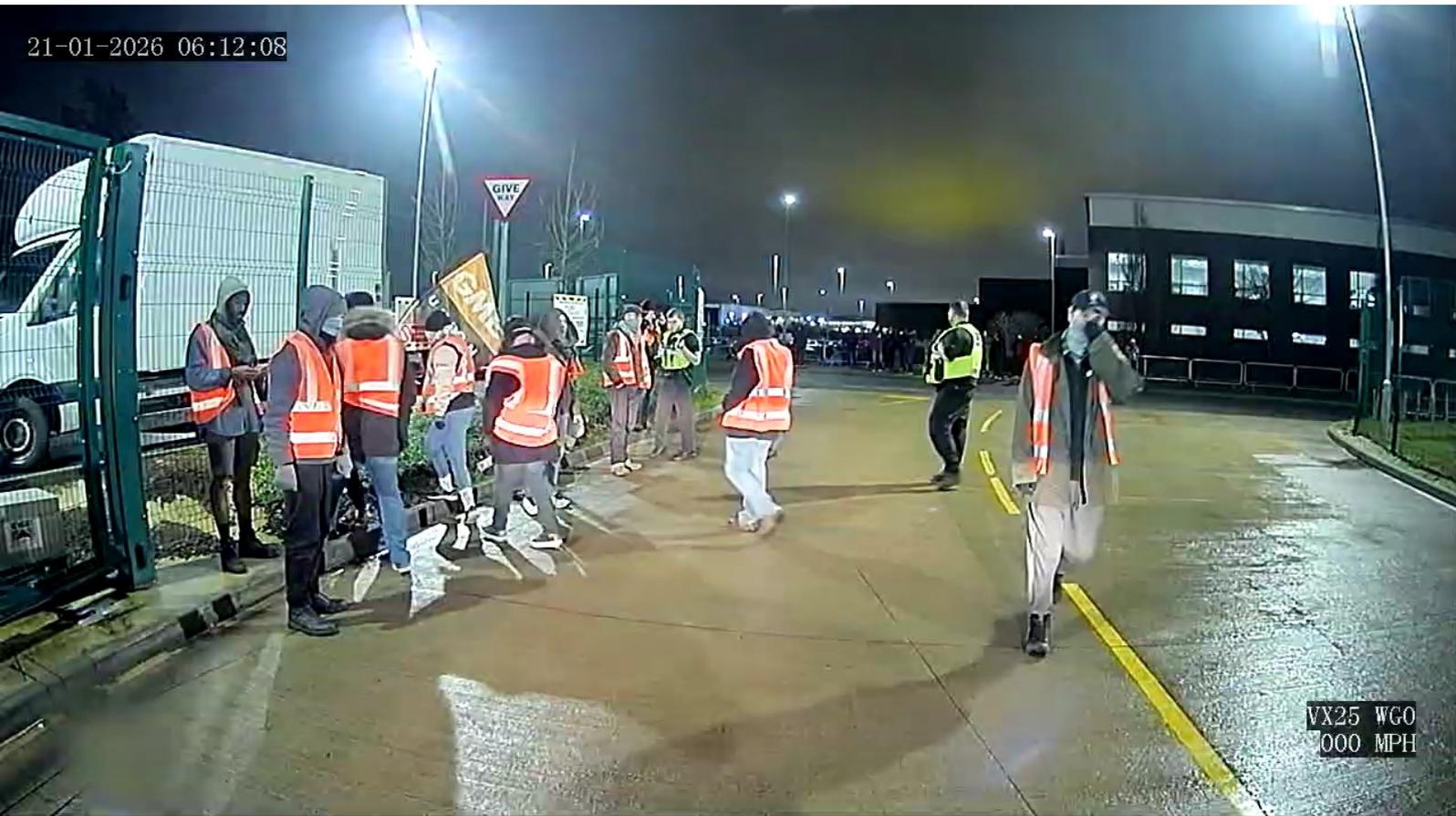
- **Atlas 34 vehicles**
- **26 contractor crews – Coventry**
- **Smithfield: 30 vehicles**
- **Perry Barr: 22 vehicles**

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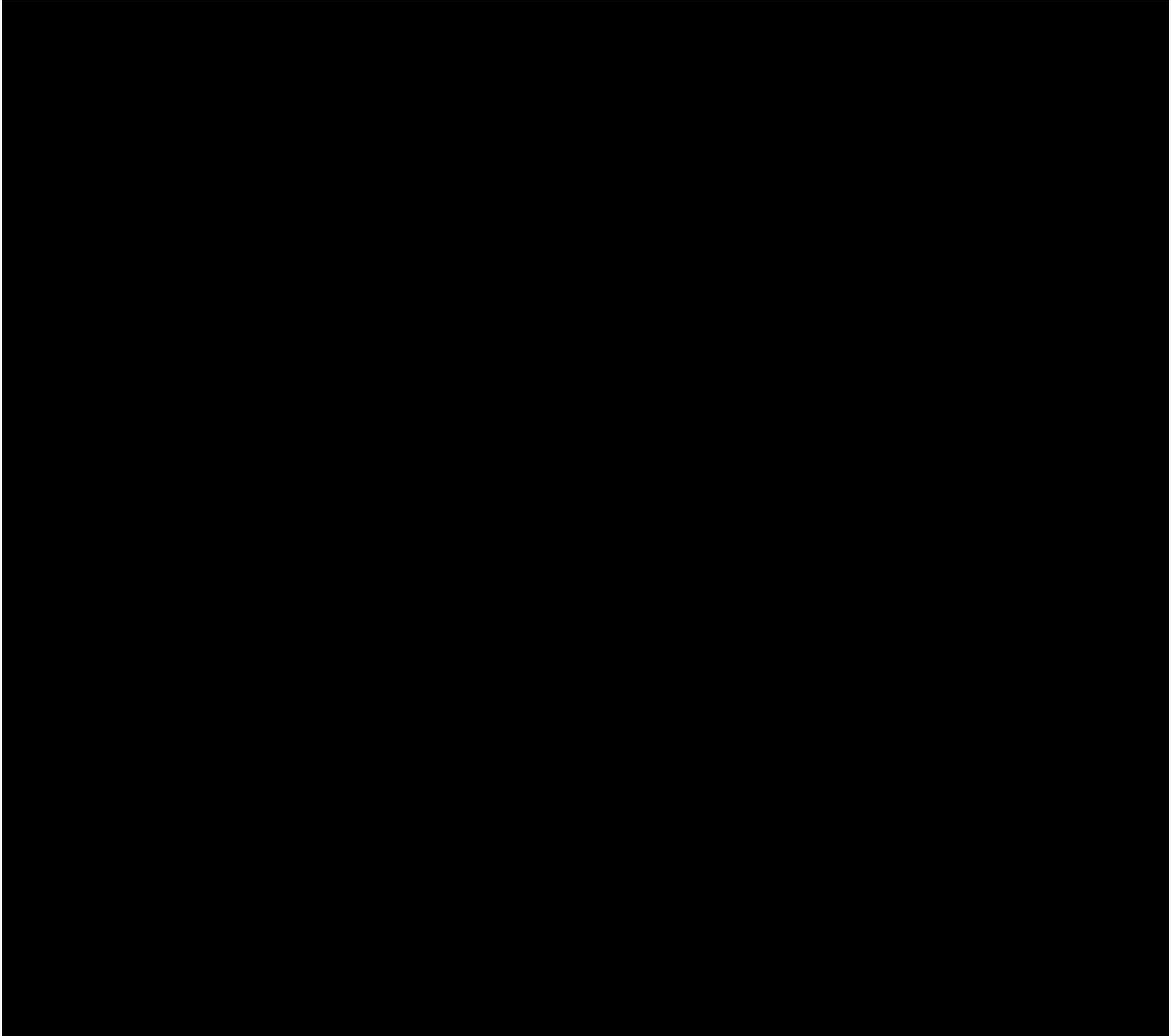
**Yasmin Ahmad**

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**To:** Euan Bruce  
**Subject:** RE: Sit Rep - 21.01.2026

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**From:** Natalie Smyth <[Natalie.Smyth@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Natalie.Smyth@birmingham.gov.uk)>  
**Sent:** 21 January 2026 09:52



**Subject:** RE: Sit Rep - 21.01.2026

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Good Morning All,

All vehicles at Perry Barr and Atlas deployed by 09:40am.

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*Kind Regards,*

**Natalie Smyth (BA Hons)**

**Business Support Manager for Street Scene**

**Business Improvement and Support, City Operations**

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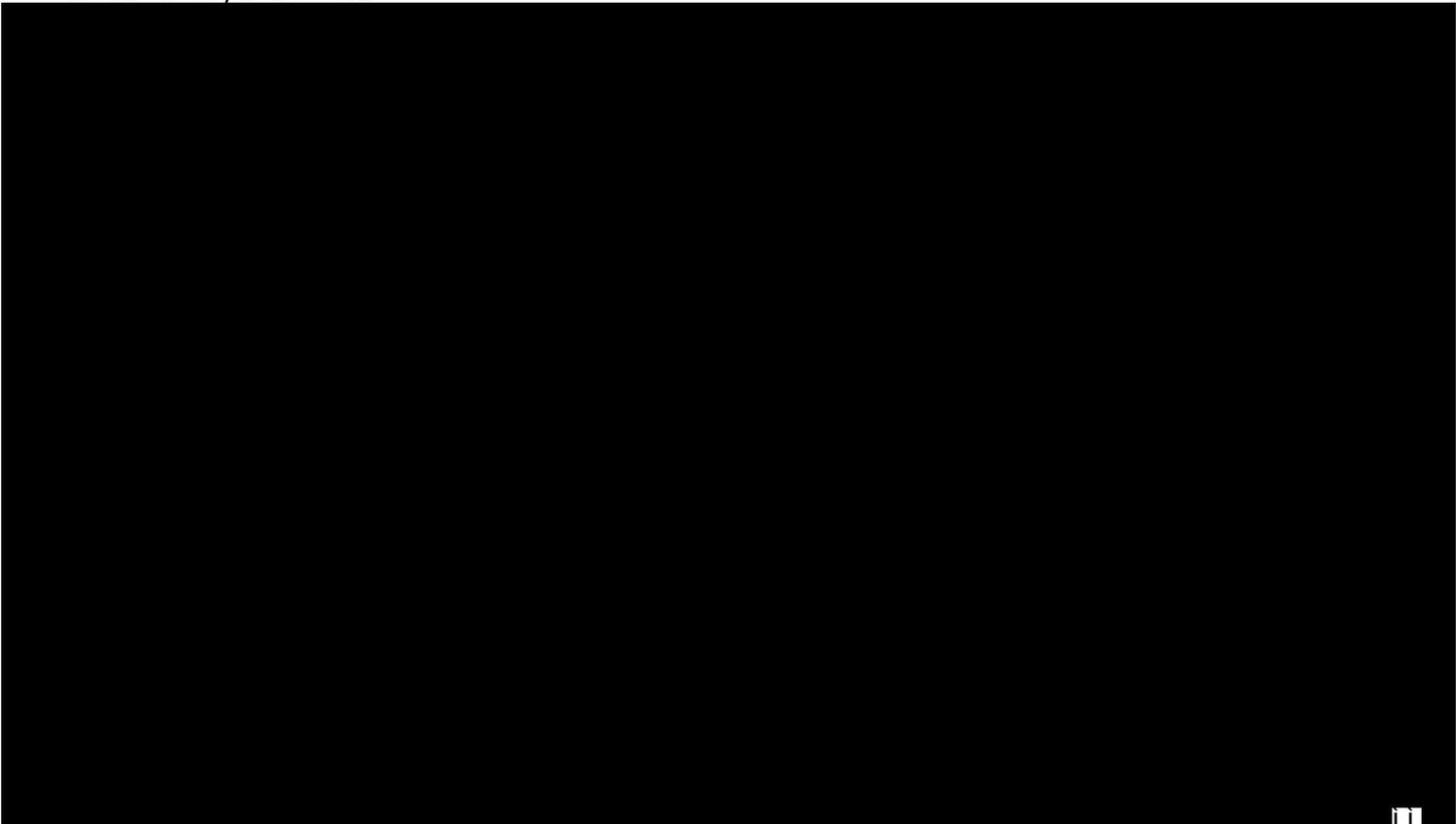
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**From:** Natalie Smyth  
**Sent:** 21 January 2026 08:12



**Subject:** Sit Rep - 21.01.2026

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.

[Start of Day - CO-Waste Industrial Action - Power BI](#)

*Kind Regards,*

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## **Thursday 22nd 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; 14 Coventry crews deployed. There is a picket at the depot this morning on Redfern Road with approx. 20/30 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:50am.

**Smithfield:** 31 BCC vehicle have been deployed. There is a picket outside the depot with approx. 20/30 protesters. There is no picket or protesters outside Lifford depot. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:40am.

**Perry Barr:** 22 BCC vehicles have been deployed from the depot:6 Coventry crews deployed. There is no picket at the depot this morning however there are approx. 30/40 protesters. All vehicles deployed safely by 06:40am.

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today: 109, including 89 BCC vehicles and 20 for Coventry.**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January- Missed collections from Perry Barr and Atlas depot aim to be collected today, 22.01.2026.

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 34% for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January and 25% Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

**Please see below table showing HWRC slots booked for Wednesday 21st January.**

<b>Wednesday 21/01/2026 (Cars)</b>				
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>AVAILABLE SLOTS</b>	<b>BOOKED SLOTS</b>	<b>REMAINING SLOTS</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE BOOKED</b>
Sutton Coldfield	1696	606	1090	35.7%
Kings Norton	912	897	15	98.4%
Perry Barr	1176	372	804	31.6%
Castle Bromwich	0	0	0	
Tyseley	1420	645	775	45.4%

<b>Wednesday 21/01/2026 (Vans)</b>				
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>AVAILABLE SLOTS</b>	<b>BOOKED SLOTS</b>	<b>REMAINING SLOTS</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE BOOKED</b>
Sutton Coldfield	24	21	3	87.5%
Kings Norton	0	0	0	
Perry Barr	24	23	1	95.8%
Castle Bromwich	24	17	7	70.8%
Tyseley	48	46	2	95.8%

**Data report for Wednesday 21st January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1166 tonnes collected at kerbside; 188 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

**No.**

What is the overall level of residual waste?

**52 % of scheduled collections (Wednesday 22nd January) were made, this was due to activists stopping vehicles from deploying at Atlas and Perry Barr depot.**

**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	69	36
Perry Barr	82	43	39
Smithfield	82	62	20

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**

**Refer to RS/40 in the OneDrive Folder**



## **Tuesday 27th January 2026**

### Daily Operational Sit Rep

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

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

**Atlas and supporting depots:** As of 08:30am, 14 BCC vehicle have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots at 04:30am; 18 Coventry crews deployed. There are currently activists' pigeon walking in front of the deployment gates stopping vehicles from deploying. There is a picket at the depot this morning on Redfern Road with approx. 30/40 protesters. 18 vehicles still to be deployed.

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

**Perry Barr:** As of 08:30am, 0 BCC vehicles have been deployed from the depot: 8 Coventry crews deployed. There are currently activists' pigeon walking in front of the deployment gates stopping vehicles from deploying. There is no picket at the depot this morning however there are approx. 20/30 protesters who left at around 08:15am. 22 vehicles still to be deployed.

**Total number of waste collection vehicles deployed today: 70, including 44 BCC vehicles and 26 for Coventry. 40 vehicles still to be deployed.**

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; 39% for Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January and 28% for Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January.

## **Data report for Monday 26th January**

How much waste has been collected by weight?

**1265 tonnes collected at kerbside; 210 tonnes collected at the HWRC**

Did we deliver the planned activity in the day?

Yes

### **What is the overall level of residual waste?**

98% of scheduled collections were made.

### **Agency planned deployment.**

#### **Drivers:**

	Legally Permissible	Actual	Variance
Atlas	32	29	3
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	63	42
Perry Barr	82	46	36
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**

## Daily Operational Sit Rep – Activist and Protestors

Depot: Perry Barr

Date: 27.1.26

### **1. Immediate Mobilisation**

Time activists attend depot: *05:35*

Time of 101 report to police: *05:35*

Time of Silver police correspondence: *The police have withdrawn the Silver support as they no longer believe that Operation Dusker warrants this level of management support.*

### **2. Interaction with Activists**

Did you speak to the activists: *Yes*

Time: *06:20*

Who did you speak to (including description): *Wearing a full hi-visibility clothing and snood and cap and therefore unable to identify any distinguishing features*

Overview of conversation: *The activist confirmed he would authorise the release of the clinical waste vehicles only*

### **3. Interaction with Police**

Did you speak to the police: *Yes*

Time: *05:15*

Who was spoken to: *Justin Hilyer spoke to Sargent. Justin provided an overview of how the previous weeks protests had been managed. Michael Chipman spoke to a Constable who advised he was not prepared to take any details from the activists and that there was an 'agreement in place with management that vehicles would be released every 5 minutes'*

Did the police refuse to move the activists on? **Yes** – *The police advised that the activists had informed them that they have a 'deal' with management and will allow for vehicles to be deployed every 5 minutes. For the avoidance of doubt no such deal has been agreed.*

*C. Smiles contacted the Force Decision Makers and advised that this information was incorrect. Force Decision Makers advised they will 'pass this onto the officers on the ground'*

Can the police identify the activists? *Police were not prepared to ascertain this information from the activists*

Will they confirm their names and which organisation they belong to? *See above*

Overview of conversation

**Yasmin Ahmad**

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**From:** Natalie Smyth <Natalie.Smyth@birmingham.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** 27 January 2026 10:08  
**To:**

**Cc:**

**Subject:** RE: Sit Rep - 27.01.2026  
**Attachments:** Daily Operational Sit Rep 27.01.26.docx

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Good Morning All,

Please see attached updated.

All vehicles now deployed.

Atlas @ 09:00am and Perry Barr @ 09:30am.

*Kind Regards,*

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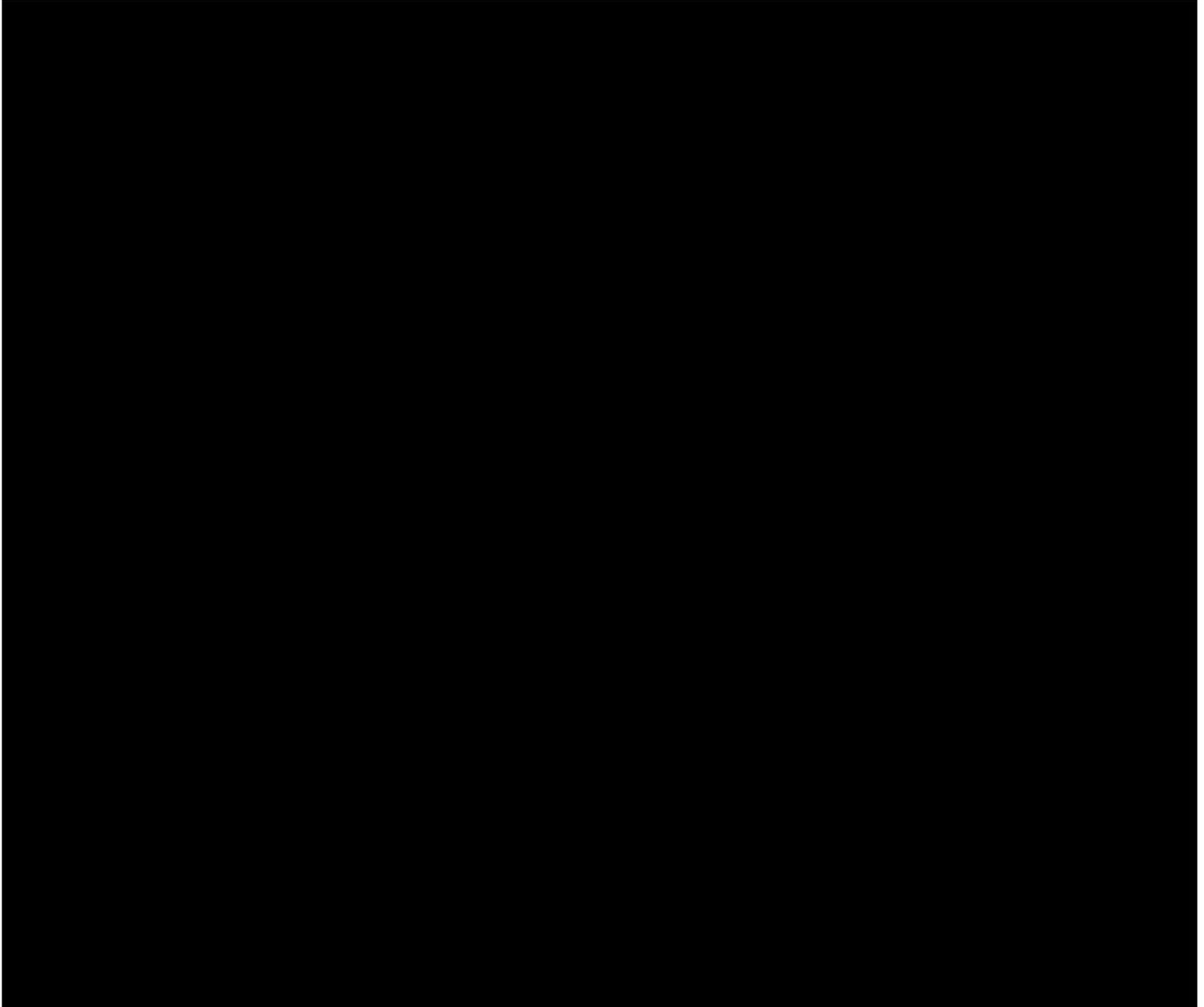


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**From:** Natalie Smyth

**Sent:** 27 January 2026 08:43



**Subject:** RE: Sit Rep - 27.01.2026

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## Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2026

### Daily Operational Sit Rep

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

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

**Atlas and supporting depots:** 14 BCC vehicle have been deployed from Atlas and alternative depots at 04:30am; 14 Coventry crews deployed. As of 08:30am 10 BCC vehicles have been deployed. There are currently activists' pigeon walking in front of the deployment gates stopping vehicles from deploying. There is a picket at the depot this morning on Redfern Road with approx. 50/60 protesters. 8 vehicles still to be deployed.

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

**Perry Barr:** As of 08:30am, 10 BCC vehicles have been deployed from the depot: 11 Coventry crews deployed. There are currently activists' pigeon walking in front of the deployment gates stopping vehicles from deploying, they are also deploying flares. There is no picket at the depot this morning however there are approx. 30/40 protesters. 12 vehicles still to be deployed.