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## Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding your council's plans to comply with the government's Simpler Recycling requirements, which mandate the kerbside collection of liquid cartons by April 2026.

Specifically, I would like to request the following information:

1. Implementation Timeline:
  - Any proposed or confirmed timelines for introducing kerbside collection of liquid cartons.
  - Details of any pilot schemes or phased rollouts planned before full implementation.
2. Public Communications and Consultation:
  - Copies of any public consultation plans, surveys, or resident engagement strategies regarding the move to kerbside collection of liquid cartons.
  - Any risk assessments or concerns raised about the transition, including potential challenges.
3. Contract details:
  - What is the delivery address of the material processing facility used by the authority for dry recycling?
  - Can you provide details of the contract, including parties and duration?

## Response

As a waste collection authority, we are dependent upon the waste disposal authority being able to sort cartons. Hampshire county council is our waste disposal authority and has plans but no confirmed opening date for the development of a material recycling facility that can sort cartons. It is likely to be open around October 2027

They have written to DEFRA to let them know that this is likely to be delayed beyond the 2026 April deadline.

We have 5 carton banks across the Winchester city council area which are currently operating.

Hampshire county council have their disposal contract with Veolia, which ends in 2030.

When we have the information about the new recycling facility, we will begin to engage with residents but have not yet started this process.

