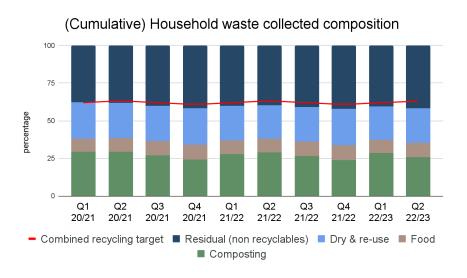
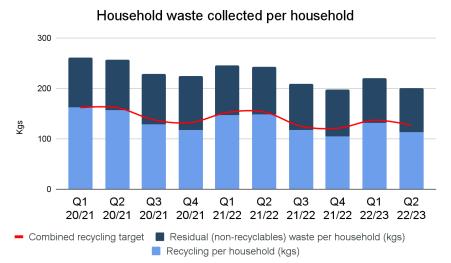
## Waste and Environment Quarter 2







Since emerging from Covid-19, households are producing less household waste, although residual waste tonnages have generally not reduced as much as other waste streams. Taking into account the increase in households in the District, residual waste per household has fallen back to pre-Covid levels. The combined recycling rate was lower than expected at the end of Q2 due to the prolonged period of hot weather and lack of rainfall in the summer months.

The number of missed bins remains relatively high. A range of improvement work is underway including staff restructure to improve the working culture, the transfer of the garden waste team to the depot at Down's Road to improve service resilience, and I-2-I In-Cab support and training to ensure that the capabilities of the new technology are maximised.

The number of fly tips peaked during the final national lockdown and have decreased which may reflect the lifting of restrictions. There are concerns that fly tips may increase due to the cost of living crisis and a reluctance to pay for the disposal of household and business waste. Following agreement by Cabinet to fund additional resources to increase enforcement activities around fly tipping, the post was taken up in September

