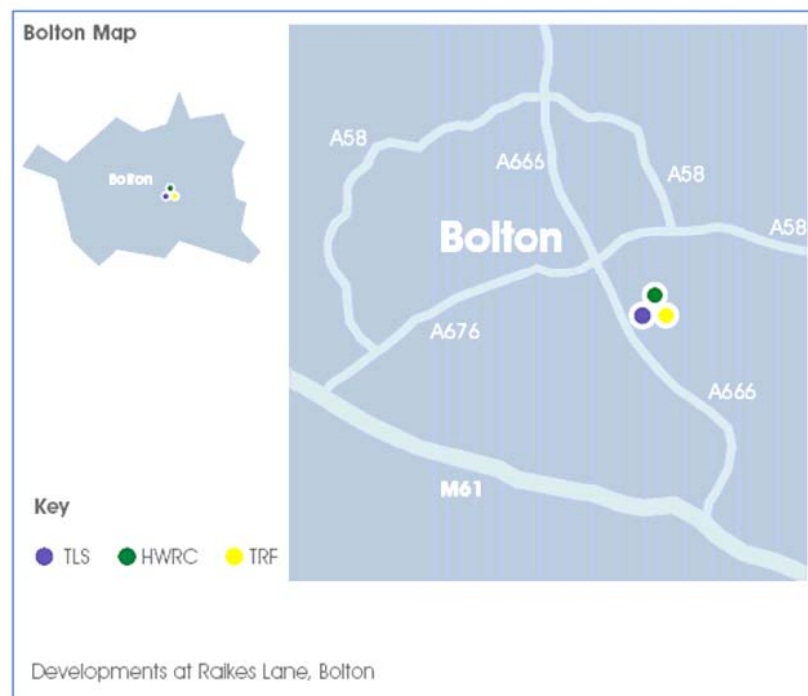


What's happening in Bolton?

As part of GMWDA's long-term waste strategy, Bolton's current municipal waste facilities will be upgraded with state-of-the-art technology, allowing the area to enjoy a world-class waste handling and recycling service.

The following developments have been proposed:

- Relocating the existing HWRC from Raikes Lane to create a larger, modern, purpose-built facility on a new site in the local area.
- Constructing a new Transfer Loading Station (TLS) within the boundaries of the current Raikes Lane site.
- Upgrading the equipment within the existing Thermal Recovery Facility (TRF).



How will these changes improve our waste service?

By creating a new, modern HWRC Bolton will have a purpose-built facility with extra space, allowing for:

- a more convenient site layout;
- separate access for operational vehicles and private cars, to increase safety; and
- better traffic management to eliminate off-site queuing – a current problem at the Raikes Lane site.

These improvements will reduce waiting times and provide a more comprehensive recycling service for local residents.

A new Transfer Loading Station (TLS) will be built at Raikes Lane to support Bolton's recycling schemes. The modern facility will receive both recyclable and non recyclable waste from local collections, ready to be sent on for reprocessing.

The recently upgraded Thermal Recovery Facility (TRF) will benefit from improvements to its existing machinery, enabling it to produce energy more efficiently – and helping to reduce Greater Manchester's use of fossil fuels.

Household Waste Recycling Centre, Blackhorse Street, Blackrod

Improvements to the HWRC will reduce waiting times, benefit of better signage, traffic management, assistance for users and Closed Circuit Television with number plate recognition and provide a more comprehensive recycling service for local residents helping to divert more of Greater Manchester's waste from landfill. The improved facilities will make it even easier for residents to recycle more of their waste and a wider range of materials, as well as allowing better working conditions for operatives. It will also ensure certainty for Greater Manchester's waste disposal for the next 25-years.

In-Vessel Composting (IVC) Facility, Salford Road, Bolton

The proposed IVC facility will be designed to treat approximately 50,000 tonnes of kerbside collected garden and kitchen waste. This material will be recycled in a totally enclosed building to create a compost material for use in horticulture, agriculture and similar applications.

Household Waste Recycling Centre, Union Road, Bolton

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Will there be any impacts on the area?

The utmost care has been taken to ensure that the construction and operation of these facilities can only have a positive impact on the local area.

The following measures ensure the site does not disturb local residents:

- The Raikes Lane site is bounded on three sides by woodland. Additional landscaping and planting will be carried out to further screen the development from local residents.
- All facilities will be designed for minimum visual impact, with the colour schemes for both buildings and fencing following those currently used around the site.
- The TLS facility will be self contained, ensuring that all loading, unloading and sorting take place within buildings – with safeguards in place to prevent litter, odour and noise pollution.