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Certification achievement for Hills' household recycling centre, Marlborough

Hills Waste Solutions' household recycling centre (HRC) in Marlborough, which opened in March last year, was audited on 15 December 2011 and achieved certification to the international ISO14001 standard.



The standard identifies key environmental issues and puts relevant procedures in place to deliver effective management, prevention of pollution, environmental improvements and legal compliance. All of Hills Waste Solutions' facilities are certified to this standard with the exception of Porte Marsh which is preparing for its evaluation this April.

Daryl Taylor, environment manager, said: "The achievement of the ISO certification shows our commitment to continually improving our business and managing our environmental responsibilities effectively. It's something we pride ourselves on and we will work hard to gain it for all our new facilities, and maintain it at our existing sites.

"The Environment Agency has also recognised the achievement of good environmental standards at Marlborough HRC in a recent inspection, describing our management system, the site infrastructure and our staff as excellent."

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Notes for editors

Marlborough HRC

- The site was officially opened on 23 March 2011 by Councillor Toby Sturgis, cabinet member for Waste, Property and Environment at Wiltshire Council and Mike Hill, chief executive Hills Group Limited
- Marlborough HRC is one of 11 household recycling centres across Wiltshire all of which are run by Hills Waste Solutions, contractors to Wiltshire Council. The HRCs are part of the council's strategy to increase recycling in the county and reduce the amount of rubbish which currently goes to landfill
- 1,970 tonnes of material has been received at the site (Mar-Nov 11) of which 1,594 tonnes has been diverted from landfill giving a recycling rate of 80.91%
- Full details on Wiltshire's HRCs including materials which can be recycled and opening times can be found at www.recycleforwiltshire.com

Hills Waste Solutions Limited

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