

## **ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

*Briefing note Portable battery recycling in Rotherham.*

### **ISSUE**

- Portable battery recycling in Rotherham Council and Schools.

### **CURRENT SITUATION**

The current situation can be summarised as follows:

- Rotherham has portable battery recycling facilities at the four household waste recycling centres at :

Car Hill – Greasborough  
Lidget Lane – Bramley  
Warren Vale – Rawmarsh  
Magilla – Common Lane, North Anston

- Batteryback are currently offering free portable battery recycling for Council offices and for schools.
- Batteryback is a portable battery compliance scheme that already collects and recycles portable batteries from over 15,000 supermarkets retailers.
- They have offered to visit primary schools and run classes on battery recycling free of charge as well as providing recycling collection containers free of charge.
- This will help educate children about the importance of diverting portable batteries from landfill in line with the national curriculum.
- Their free education scheme consists of the following elements.
- An on-line lesson plan.
- A home battery recycling box for every pupil bringing batteries into school.
- Battery packs containing 5lt battery cans and educational literature
- School visits including interactive talks with the pupils