This is my report from the Community Liaison Meeting held by FCC at the Wrexham Recycling Park on Wednesday February 12th.

Community Liaison Meeting

* There will only be 2 landfill sites in the country in 2 years time and one of these is the landfill site at Hadod, Johnstown. A well managed landfill site is better than shipping waste all round the world.
* There are two new innovations at the Recycling Plant . There is now a magnet which can recover non ferrous metals from the black bag waste and a new Picking Line for quality plastic which is then baled.
* 26% of black bin waste is recyclable and with more education consumers would recycle more at the kerbside.
* Cathy Golightly is the person in charge of Recycling education at Wrexham Council and can arrange tutorials.
* Black bin waste, after recoveries are made, is biologically dried to reduce its bulk and then is sent to SSE in Yorkshire where it is turned into fuel for energy purposes. Wrexham  Council has a 25 year contact with SSE to send them 1,000 runs of black bag waste.
* Wrexham has a market in the UK for uncontaminated metals and good quality plastic.  Manufacturers are looking at using single polymer plastic, the good plastics. These are washed and granulated before use.
* Not enough people are using their food recycling caddies. These are for peelings and egg shells as well as leftover food. FCC wants to weigh our leftover food for statistical reasons before it is recycled with green bin contents.
* Pyrex glass cannot be recycled and any textiles in the black bin waste are not recovered but get sent for fuel.
* Textiles recycled in special recycling bins are usually used to make dusters.

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