

Answers – Recycling Plastic

1. What is Mr I. Rate writing about? What is he unhappy about?

He is unhappy about the council planning to cancel the kerbside collection of plastic waste. He is writing to persuade the council to keep kerbside collection of plastic recycling.

2. Find a word in paragraph 1 which means 'told'.

informed

3. Which word is closest in meaning to 'vehemently'?

a. weakly

b. strongly

c. quietly

d. carefully

4. In paragraph 3, what are residents afraid of?

Dirty waste littering the streets, streets becoming overrun with rodents.

5. Which word is closest in meaning to reckless?

a. sensible

b. clever

c. careless

d. funny

6. Do you think this letter is effective? Why/ why not?

Any answer which is backed up by evidence from the letter e.g.

Yes – it provides lots of reasons why kerbside plastic collection should continue e.g. replacement bins would be expensive, streets may become littered, rodents in the streets may become more common.

Yes – the letter uses persuasive language such as vehemently, detrimental, inevitably etc.