

What Next for Compost Doctors?

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Achievements to date

- **Worked with 14 different organisations across England**
- **Composted 95 tonnes of material**
- **Built up a shared expertise of using a variety of composting machines**



Lessons learned so far

- On site composting of catering waste can be very effective in a variety of settings
- To be successful it needs:
 - buy in from senior staff, catering staff and grounds staff
 - ongoing support and training - the approach will be slightly different in each setting
- The composting project can lead to additional environmental benefits



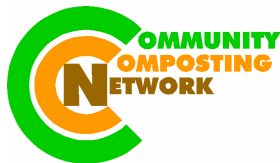
Further Lessons

- **The economics of implementing a composting system may not be cost effective for SMEs.**
- **Savings in waste disposal costs are often too low to make a pure business case for implementing a composting system**
- **Drivers in the public sector are however different**



The future's bright?

- Funding so far has been over two years from BREW. Has paid for both the compost doctor time and the capital equipment
- Also received RAY funding to work at Wetherby YO1
- Now we are looking to become to some extent financially self sustaining



Future focus for the Compost Doctors

- **Focus public sector institutions - e.g. prisons, hospitals and universities**
- **Provide advice and guidance about the type of compost systems available and scheme implementation**



Areas of operation

Compost Doctors will continue to operate across England (and potentially beyond) but will have a particular focus on the South West and Yorkshire



Working with other community composters

We hope to build on the knowledge that we have gained and share some of the expertise across the wider community composting sector.



Getting involved

If you are interested in getting involved with the compost doctors, please note it on your evaluation form.

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