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## **Town Council passes a motion of no confidence in TOR2**

Brixham Town Council has called upon Torbay Council to find an alternative contractor and terminate the contract of its waste collection and recycling company, TOR2 at their meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> July.

Passing a motion of no confidence in the Waste Company councillors agreed that there has been a long history of failure and that the complaints just keep coming.

Citing examples of food bins being thrown into the back of vans amongst the recycling, waste being strewn around and inconsistent collection patterns councillors were scathing about the management and oversight of the company's performance.

And this has not just affected residents, businesses are also suffering from the poor performance. The Town Council who have endured inconsistent collections themselves have recently moved their business away from TOR2 to an alternative waste management contractor.

Councillor David Giles told the meeting that he had attended working group meetings in Torquay to discuss waste issues where senior management were not be able to provide basic information that was required saying that "the information was not prepared yet" or there was a "computer problem".

"I heard the same statements being made to members of the Transport Working Group as well and the only conclusion that I could draw then and still believe is that the directors are either grossly incompetent or wilfully negligible", said Councillor Giles.

"And let's not forget the manner in which this same company embarrassed themselves, Torbay Council and our community by the way in which they failed abysmally when trialling Solar Powered Belly Bins in Brixham in the summer of 2016", he added. Councillors supported the call for termination with one abstention.

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