



# REAL's Research Hub

## Project #1 – Project Brief

### 1 Project Title

The development of a Research Library for the Organics Recycling industry

#### 2 Background

Numerous research projects have been conducted during the evolution of the Organics Recycling industry, both within the United Kingdom and internationally. Undoubtedly, there is a wealth of existing information which, if collated, has the potential to advance industry knowledge. Through developing a Library of information, the 'gaps' in existing information can be identified and in turn, used to guide the objectives of future research projects. Once the Library has been established, all new projects should be logged. Permissions may need to be sought in publishing open access information and as such legal aspects will need to be considered by the appointed contractor.

#### **3 Project Definition**

The Research Library will be an informative and valuable resource for both the composting and anaerobic digestion industries. The collation of existing research, across both industries, within the UK and internationally, will allow a gap analysis to be undertaken to identify and distinguish areas of research that are limited or altogether absent. The establishment of the Research Library should help prevent the duplication of research studies and a misuse of research resource; the findings of this project have the potential to shape and inform the objectives of future Research Project Proposals submitted to and taken forwards by the Research Hub.

#### 3.1 Project Objective(s)

Develop a Library of existing industry research both within the UK and internationally and undertake a gap analysis in order to identify potential areas for future research across both the composting and anaerobic digestion industries.

#### 3.2 Project Deliverables

- ❖ To undertake a literature review of available information
- ❖ To create a platform in which the information is stored in a user-friendly format
- To conduct a gap analysis to guide and inform future research objectives

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