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ADQP Revision Update

The Task and Finish Group held their first meetings on the 5th of September. The scope of the revision and evidence available to date were considered, with the focus on risk assessment. The group met again on the 10th of November, in which the timeline for this work was discussed in further detail. Further meetings will be arranged in due course to discuss specific subjects and in smaller focus groups.

REAL shared the recently published report on plastic contamination in compost and digestate with the members of the Task and Finish Group. The research will be considered when discussing plastic limits in the future end of waste framework. (See more information on paper below).

Plastic Paper Published

In addition, REAL have published a paper sharing recent data on plastic contamination in compost and digestate independently certified to end-of-waste criteria in England.

The paper presents that the plastic failure rate of samples sent for routine testing and retests, by certified operators, was 1.5% for compost and 1.9% for digestate. This covers all samples tested between 1st January 2021 and 30th June 2022. REAL considers this brings confidence that there is minimal plastic applied to land or, in the case of compost only, used for horticultural purposes.

The paper can be accessed here.

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