Hello Sarah,

When I received my Council Tax bill for this year I was concerned with a leaflet that said we could not recycle plastic except for plastic bottles.

For years I have been carefully washing, drying and placing plastic with the recycle logo in our green bin assuming it would be dealt with appropriately. So I wrote to Councillor Sanderson for clarification of the leaflet and to ask why we did not recycle. He confirmed that the leaflet was correct and clearly we have an underinvestment in recycling. I remember Councillor Peter Jackson making a similar comment in a full Council meeting when he was head so they have been aware of the issue for some time!

By coincidence a recent comment was made on Facebook, Morpeth Matters about the leaflet where the Council was criticised with comments from newly relocated residents that their past councils offered much better services.

I am lucky in having local Coop and a car so am able to recycle more than via the Council green bin but many cannot. I have lost confidence in the County Council over issues with councillors and highly placed officials that I gather are the most highly paid in the Country. Perhaps they should start to justify their appointments.

I write to ask that the Ashington Town Council Climate Committee raises this issue and perhaps you could let me know when my e-mail will be discussed by you and the outcome.

I thank you for your help.

Regards,