

**YHA Boggle Hole  
Refuse Store  
Design & Access Statement**

The area covered by this proposed development includes a small area of land adjacent to the main track from the NP car park down to the hostel towards the top of the road.

This application is for the installation of a new refuse store to house the existing bins, which are currently located to the side of the turning head half way down the road. This will allow for the refuse to be collected without having to be double handled up the hill on collection day, aiding the smooth running of the hostel.

### **Background**

The bins were previously located close to the beach in front of the Hostel. They were taken to the car park for collection (tides permitting) by a contractor, (a neighbour with a grass cutting business) with a tractor using a specially made hoist.

The empty bins were then returned. Due to issues with the tide and the contractor's other work there was often considerable delay before their return, which meant they were used as general waste bins in the NP car park by visitors (and on several occasions by fly tipping of building waste).

The bins also had to be moved to a different location when tides were particularly high and we there were ongoing issues with the lids blowing off in storms, spreading litter and visitors using them for dog waste as they went past on and off the beach.

The hostel management took the decision to move the bins half way up the hill on a small section of land outside the garage. There was a little more space here and collection and return was not dependant on the tide.

Refuse was moved from the hostel several times a day to reduce unsightly build up and prevent littering issues on the beach and in addition a public waste bin for visitors passing and two dog waste bins were installed in the previous location for people using the beach and Cleveland Way. The hostel management empty these and take them up to the general waste bins.

Recently the hostel management have created a beach cleaning station which is used frequently by guests, staff and visitors to clean the beach and again the YHA take responsibility for this.

The bins were collected from this location and taken to the NP car park as before. However the hostel still had issues with prompt returns; the bins were unsecured, close to a steep hill and the recycling bins were contaminated with dog waste bags deposited by passing members of the public despite the YHA placing another dog waste bin in the area.

On several occasions the hostel management have caught people filling the bins with recycling waste from holiday cottages (they had driven by car with a boot full) and also noticed a lot of building waste that had been dumped in them.

There is also a small nearby campsite that is used regularly in the summer months which does not have its own waste provision. Campers are using the hostel's bins when they are in the NP car park either waiting to be emptied or waiting to be returned. They are also used by visitors who park in the NP car park or on the side of the road.

As the bins can't be seen from the Hostel it was becoming apparent that they were being used as a public waste and recycling point.

The bins in this location also make it difficult for vans to turn round that are delivering and collecting laundry and delivering cleaning products to the garage.

The waste removal contractor informed the hostel that it was becoming harder for him to move the bins and he had to ask his son to move them whilst he was in hospital. This left the YHA with a significant risk to the business.

### **Present Situation**

The hostel management discussed at length the operational issues with YHA Operations and concluded that the only real solution was to locate these bins in a lockable compound where they could be emptied directly into the bin lorry, which meant them being located as close to the top of the road as feasibly possible.

It was discussed with neighbouring land owners to see if they would rent or sell the hostel a section of land near the car park but sadly these areas weren't suitable and there were also concerns that if the bins were too close to the car park people might fly tip next to them.

The YHA also approached the National Park who own the small car park but sadly they were unable to provide the space needed and were also concerned about visitors throwing waste into the compound if it was locked.

The YHA are conscious that the lane down to the hostel is quite steep and twisty in places so chose a location that could be accessed by the lorry in a straight line that was level. It is also far enough away from the car park that it wouldn't be used by visitors.

A dedicated store would allow the hostel to increase the number of bins during summer months (the hostel currently struggles during the height of the season) and prevent unauthorised use. There would be no littering of the highway as the bins could be closed, they would be screened from view easily accessed and easily cleaned.

The location where the bins are now will be returned to its use as a turning area for deliveries.

### **Current and Potential Numbers**

3x1100 general waste  
4x1100 recycling

Maximum potential estimated to be 4 general and 6 recycling

There is also have a large steel container for waste oil which is collected by Olleco for recycling into bio diesel.