

## **Waste contractors urged to follow Wales' lead in push for PAS 402**

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Contractors have signalled their support for an English roll-out of PAS 402 to support firms in reporting data on landfill diversion and material recovery.

The standard was developed by Constructing Excellence in Wales in 2009 but UK Contractors Group members have called for its adoption in England in a member statement.

The PAS 402 standard helps waste management contractors to monitor their performance in reducing waste sent to landfill and reclaiming materials.

The UKCG statement said: “UKCG members recognise that the adoption of PAS 402 will benefit both the waste management and the construction industry by improving working practices and providing greater confidence about the robustness of waste data.

“UKCG members will actively promote PAS 402 and encourage their waste management contractors to progress towards independent certification.”

Rob Lambe, chair of the UKCG environment group and MD of Willmott Dixon Energy Services, said: “By issuing the statement today, UKCG members hope to send a clear signal to the market that we would like to see more waste management contractors certified to PAS 402.

“The scheme has been successful in Wales and it is now time to start extending this into England.

“UKCG members are committed to reporting data on waste and PAS 402 will provide greater assurance that the information being provided by waste management contractors is as robust as possible.”

Paul Jennings, director, construction and demolition waste programme at Constructing Excellence in Wales, added: “We are already in dialogue with additional inspection bodies and this statement from the major construction companies in the UK will I am sure provide them with the confidence to now press ahead with adding PAS 402 to their schedules.

“We look forward to seeing a significant uptake of PAS 402 in England and the rest of the UK.” ▲