

# Reducing the Carbon Footprint of Cash Processing

The Cash Industry Environmental Charter was formed in 2021 for participants in the UK's cash supply chain to come together and challenge the negative environmental impacts of the cash industry. Since then, we've been working together to track and reduce our carbon emissions, aiming to make our industry as sustainable as possible.



**One of the biggest challenges we face is single use plastic**, and in an industry as heavily regulated as ours it isn't always easy to make quick changes - but this hasn't stopped us driving forward more sustainable solutions.

We're working together to reduce the amount of packaging we use and remove it from our processes where possible.

Where removing plastic isn't possible, we're working on:

- **Reducing sizes to minimise plastic used**  
*- for example: shortening the length of security seal tails and using smaller bags and sachets*
- **Increasing recycled content above the minimum 30%**
- **Setting up closed loop recycling**

## YOU CAN HELP US!

Making some small changes to how you present the cash deposits you send to us really can make a huge difference. We've attached a short presentation guide on the following page to show ways you can use less plastic when sending cash to us.

# Customer Presentation Guide

## What you can do to reduce carbon emissions:

- ✓ Don't use inner bags/ wallets for single credit cash deposits.
- ✓ If depositing multi credit cash deposits, try to not use plastic inner bags/ wallets for each deposit where elastic bands or paper alternatives could be used instead to attach the deposit to the credit slip.
- ✓ Deposit any loose multi denomination coin less than full bag values into one sachet – *not only can this save a lot of unnecessary plastic, it's also easier for us to process your coins when presented all mixed together rather than in lots of individual sachets.*
- ✓ Secure bundles of notes with paper note bands or loose elastic bands only, do not use PBNE's/ Plastic Note Wrappers.
- ✓ Keep notes straight and flat in deposits, please don't roll or fold them – *rolled and folded notes often need to be run through our machines several times to straighten them and some folded notes are unable to re-enter circulation due to damage, so keeping them flat can help keep emissions down.*

## What good looks like:



## What bad looks like:

