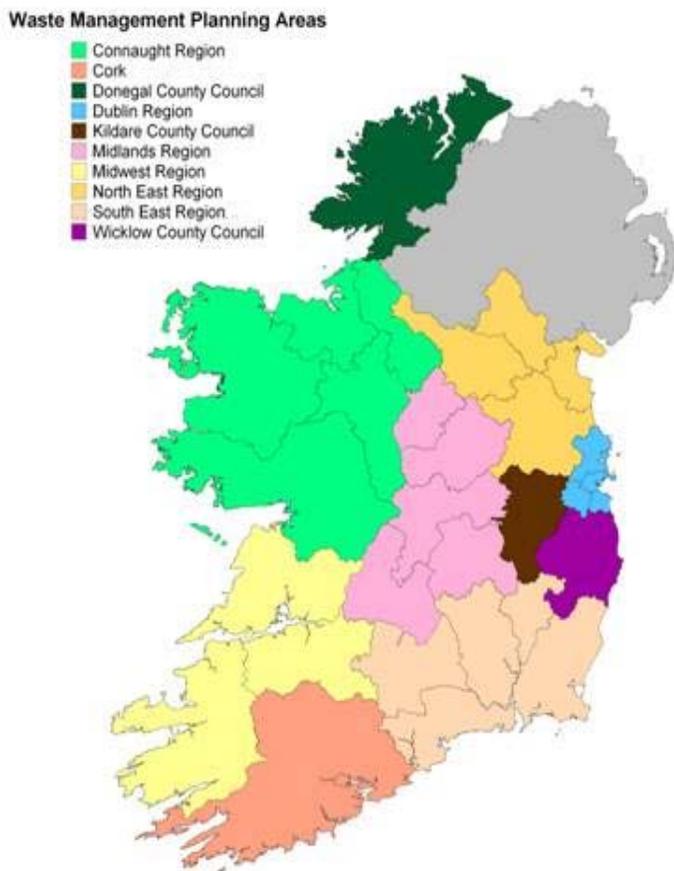

4. WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICIES OF NEIGHBOURING LOCAL AUTHORITIES

This section outlines the status of waste management policy in counties and regions adjacent to the South East. The details have been taken from the county/region waste management plan adding any details of works carried out to date. It should be noted that the waste management plans for all of these regions are currently under review. Figure 4.1 illustrates the different waste management planning regions adjacent to the South East.

Figure 4.1: Waste Management Planning Areas



4.1. County Kildare

- independent waste planning
- existing landfill at Silliot Hill closed to landfilling. Waste recycling centre, composting facility and transfer facility have been established at the site
- short term – transporting waste to Dublin for baling and landfilling
- long term – biological treatment, materials recovery facility and disposal of residues to residual landfill
- Waste Management Plan (2000) is currently being reviewed
- three proposals for landfill by private sector currently in the regulatory process (Dec 2004)

4.2. County Wicklow

- independent waste planning
- existing landfill limited. Wicklow County Council has received a licence for the extension of Rampere landfill
- Greenstar is developing a landfill facility at Ballynagran, due for completion late 2005/early 2006
- Waste Management Plan (2000) is currently being reviewed

4.3. Midlands Region

- comprises the counties: North Tipperary, Offaly, Laois, Longford and Westmeath
- an application for a residual landfill at Annaskinnan, Westmeath for 175,000 tpa has been lodged
- an application has been submitted for an extension to Ballydonagh landfill (Westmeath)
- participating in integrated waste management planning on a Regional basis with biological treatment, thermal treatment and residual landfill
- Waste Management Plan (2000) is currently being reviewed

4.4. Mid West Region

- comprises the Counties: Kerry, Clare and Limerick
- participating in integrated waste management planning on a Regional basis with biological treatment, thermal treatment and residual landfill.
- provision for the residual waste in North Tipperary to be thermally treated in this region if necessary
- proposal to extend North Kerry and Gortadroma Landfill (County Limerick)

4.5. Cork Region

- Will examine on an annual basis, the possibility of employing thermal waste-to-energy treatment of residual waste
- comprises Cork County & Cork City Councils
- Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) & biological treatment facility currently being prepared for regulatory processing (Dec 2004)
- central residual landfill facility for construction (July 2004) 160,000 – 215,000 t.p.a. until 2016
- main landfill at Kinsale Road has extended closure date
- Youghal landfill license extension granted (2004) 170,000 t.p.a. for 3 years
- smaller landfills due to close 2005/6

Table 4.1 sets out the principal waste management strategies of the regions adjoining the South East Region.

Table 4.1: Summary of Neighbouring Authorities Waste Management Plans

	Regional Plan	Individual County Plan	Expansion of Bring Bank System	Recycling Centres	Kerbside Collection of Recyclables	Materials Recovery Facilities	Transfer Stations	Biological Treatment	Thermal Treatment	Residual Landfill
Wicklow Co. Co.		*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*
Kildare Co. Co.		*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*
Midlands Region	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Midwest Region	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Cork Region	*		*	*	*	*	*	*		*

4.6. Disposal Facilities outside the Region

The remaining landfill capacity within the Region is described in Section 6. In summary there is approximately 2 years landfill capacity remaining in the region. New engineered residual landfills have been proposed for South Tipperary, Waterford and Wexford. These facilities are currently going through the statutory process and are not likely to be available for 2-3 years, if successful.

An assessment of neighbouring facilities for short-term, medium term and long term disposal capacity was assessed by the DoEHLG for the state and is summarised in Table 4.2.

Table 4.2: Status of Extra-Regional Developments

Region	Remaining Capacity 2004 ¹	Disposal Potential		
		Short-Term	Medium-Term	Long-Term
Dublin Region	2 years	Arthurstown Landfill	Landfill & thermal facilities at tender phase	
Wicklow	5 years	Rampere Landfill	Ballynagran Landfill	
Kildare	2 years	Arthurstown Landfill	3 landfill proposals in County.	
Midlands	7 years	Kyletalesha (Laois), Derryclure (Offaly), Ballydonagh (Westmeath) Ballaghveny (Tipperary).	Annaskinnan Landfill	
Clare/Kerry/Limerick	7 years	North Kerry, Gortadroma (Limerick) Ballyduff Beg Integrated Waste Management Facility (Clare)	Ballyduff Beg Integrated Waste Management Facility (Clare)	Minimal
Cork	3 years	Kinsale Road Cork City Rossmore (Cork) Youghal (Cork)	Bottlehill Landfill	Bottlehill Landfill

¹ Taken From The DoEHLG, National Overview of Waste Management Plans