



## Ballina Recycling Centre

### Facility

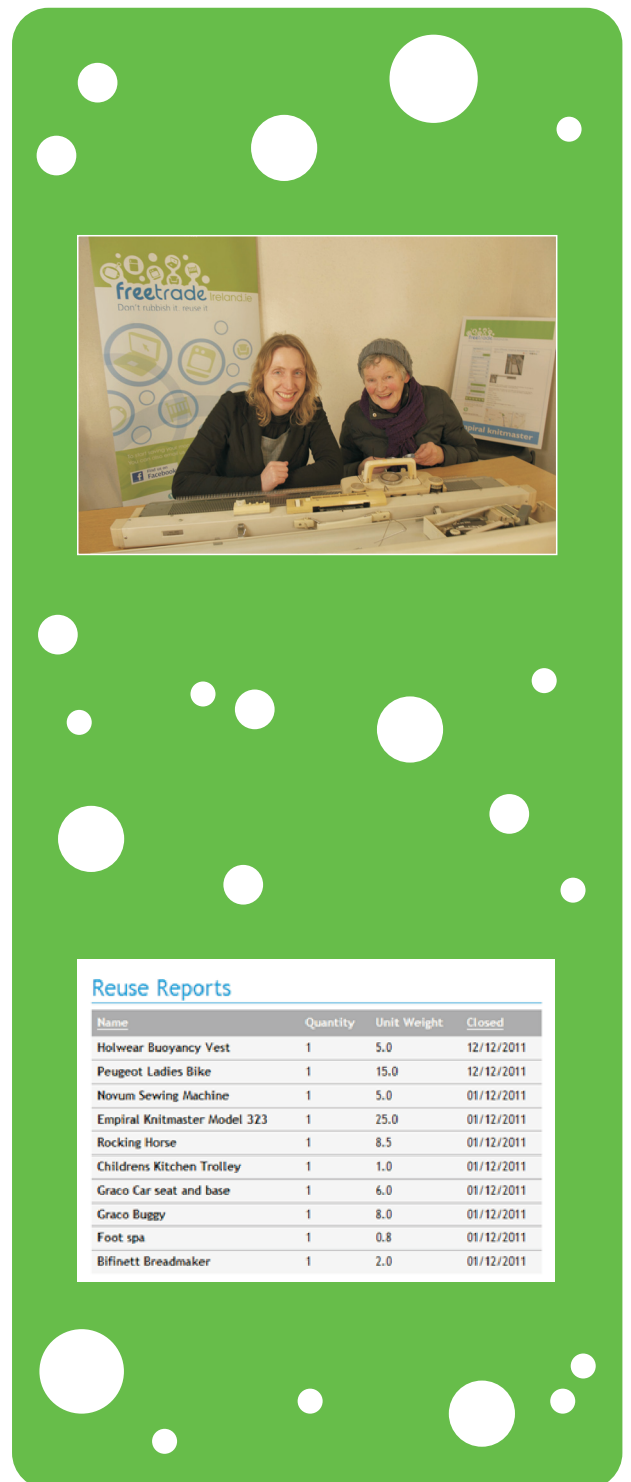
- Local Authority operated Recycling Centre.
- Accepts a wide range of non-hazardous and hazardous items.
- Barrier access.
- Charges apply for certain wastes eg. bulky waste, metal waste etc.
- Certificate of registration in place/Waste Licence Facility.
- Storage areas on site.

### Reuse Event

- Local Authority publicised the event through local newspapers and radio.
- FTI team interacted with the public using the centres and inspected the items.
- Items passed on to the FreeTrade Ireland team were inspected and then pictured and catalogued if suitable for reuse.
- Ads appeared on FreeTradeIreland.ie the following day.
- 75% of items collected on the day were reused.
- 27 items were collected on the reuse day.
- 20 items were prevented from becoming a waste, stored for reuse and uploaded to the website.
- Almost 200kg diverted.
- Local Membership of the service increased by 33% following the event.

### Lessons Learned

- A procedure to manage charges for bulky household items like furniture is important to avoid incurring disposal costs by the Recycling Centre. Encouraging the member of the public to post the ad for the item before visiting the centre will avoid this problem.
- Authorisation for site would need to be reviewed if a permanent reuse area was to be set up.
- Storage area for reuse area needs to be properly organised and managed.
- Advance advertising of the event was important and generated local interest



### Reuse Reports

Name	Quantity	Unit Weight	Closed
Holwear Buoyancy Vest	1	5.0	12/12/2011
Peugeot Ladies Bike	1	15.0	12/12/2011
Novum Sewing Machine	1	5.0	01/12/2011
Empiral Knitmaster Model 323	1	25.0	01/12/2011
Rocking Horse	1	8.5	01/12/2011
Childrens Kitchen Trolley	1	1.0	01/12/2011
Graco Car seat and base	1	6.0	01/12/2011
Graco Buggy	1	8.0	01/12/2011
Foot spa	1	0.8	01/12/2011
Bifinett Breadmaker	1	2.0	01/12/2011