



## How we do it

At WLC, everything received at our 100,000 tonne capacity site is composted in-vessel, complying with the 2003 EU Animal By-Products Regulations (ABPR), the **only method accepted by Defra** for processing kerbside-collected kitchen waste.

Upon arrival, material is shredded before undergoing a rigorous **decontamination** process, then heaped in to one of our sixteen, 200 tonne capacity, 'barrier 1' vessels.

**Temperature probes** are inserted for accurate measurement, as the material must reach 60°C for two consecutive days. This stage of the process will normally take between ten and fourteen days.

The composting matter is subsequently transferred to a second set of vessels, where the **process is repeated**.

The next stage is to transport material to our outdoor **maturation site**, where it is turned regularly for up to eight weeks, ensuring it remains aerobic. Finally, it is sorted into grades and prepared for despatch.



# From waste to growth

helping the UK to meet its recycling targets



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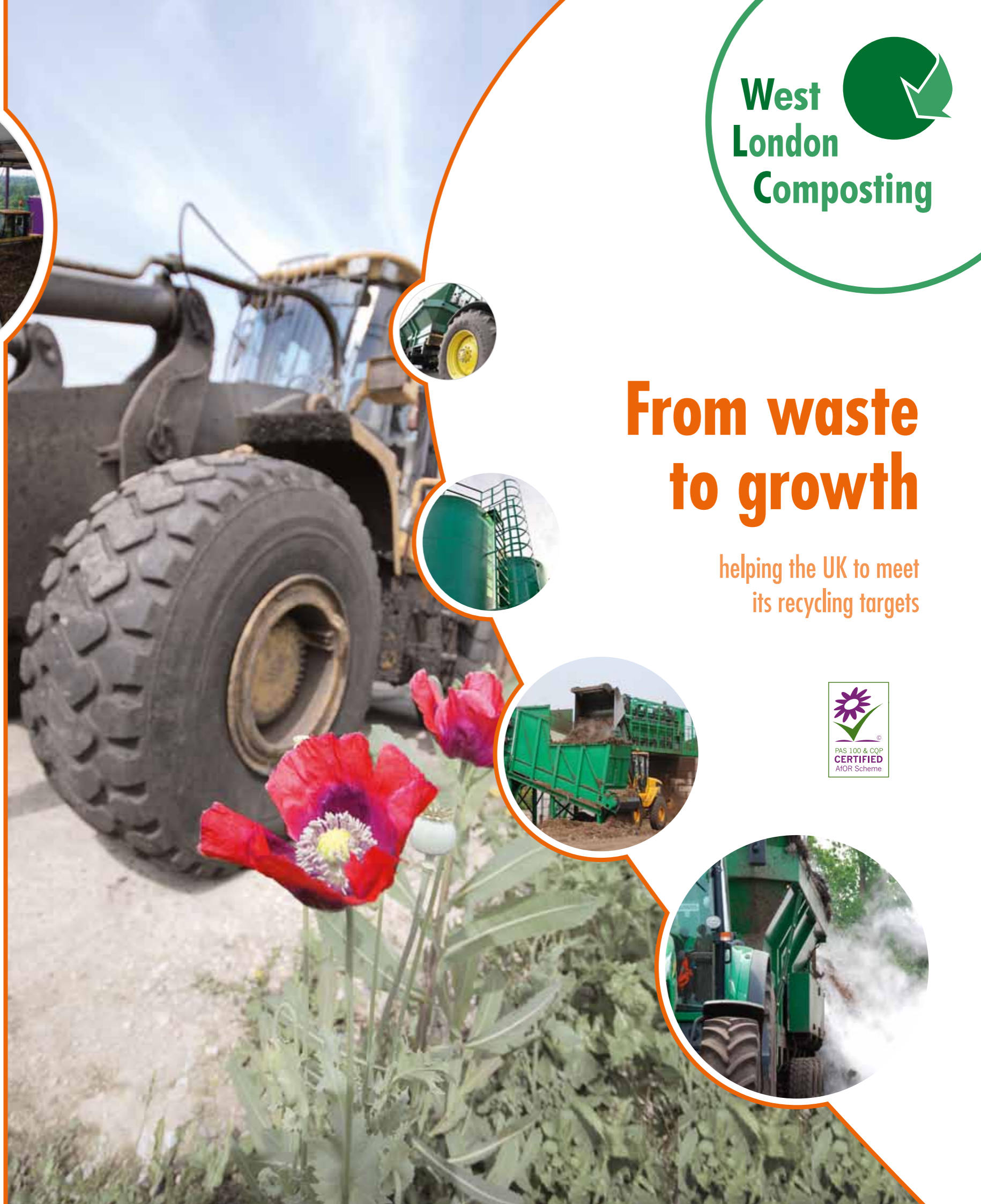
Situated close to Uxbridge, in West London, WLC is **fully licensed** by the Environment Agency and Department of Environment Food and Rural Affairs (Defra).



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## West London Composting

Established in 2004, West London Composting (WLC) is one of the UK's leading in-vessel composting facilities. We work year-round to increase the amount of organic waste recycled in the UK, transforming waste that might otherwise go to landfill into beneficial compost.

At WLC we utilise the very latest techniques and equipment to manufacture our bestselling composts and soil conditioners. Our high-performance products are PAS100 certified for application on all types of land, from farmland to gardens, and provide a range of beneficial nutrients perfect for agricultural, domestic and commercial uses.

Our market-leading in-vessel composting solutions mean that we can process everything from kerbside-collected kitchen waste to entire trees into garden-ready compost in a matter of weeks.

## Who we work with

As the UK works to reduce its carbon footprint, developing economic and sustainable measures for handling organic waste is at the heart of every local authority's waste management strategy.

At WLC, we specialise in flexible and affordable long term agreements. We work with local authorities to help divert green garden and kitchen waste from landfill, and with private organisations from landscapers to tree surgeons to transform their waste into a useful product.

## Our product

Our high-performance composts are perfect for top dressing, tree mulching, soil conditioning and agricultural use, and used on sites around the country.

Whether you are a landscape gardener or a tree surgeon, a farmer or a market gardener, or simply a keen home gardener, we can help you improve the health of your plants at a very competitive price.

Local residents can simply visit our site during working hours and pick up individual 40-litre bags of product. For larger orders of our 1m<sup>3</sup> bags we offer delivery to your home, site or business, though you are also welcome to collect from us.

## In the community

The family behind WLC has been farming land in the local area for generations, and we are proud of our place in the community.

Since the beginning, we have worked closely with educational establishments and local interest groups to help demonstrate the beneficial, natural processes that produce compost – we have even taken overseas dignitaries on tours of our site.

Our dedicated learning resource centre, located at our Highview Farm site, is open one day each week throughout the summer term, and a popular destination for school visits.

Here visitors can watch our machinery in action and learn about our processing techniques and the science behind composting. Guests with gardens are, of course, welcome to purchase our products to take home.



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