



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Yorwaste compost comes to the rescue**

Yorwaste, the North Yorkshire recycling and waste management company, ensured students competing in a national gardening competition didn't kick up a stink recently – by providing 12 tonnes of compost for the prestigious event.

A regional heat of the WorldSkills UK Landscape Gardening Competition recently took place at Askham Bryan College, York.

The organisers of the event - the British Association of Landscape Industries (BALI) – had desperately been searching for compost to use at the event and at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour Yorwaste came to the rescue.

The company provided 12 tonnes of compost for the event, which resulted in a home win for Askham Bryan College, who triumphed over Craven College, Derby College and Derby Probation Service.

Eric Flint, Yorwaste's Business Sales Consultant, said: "Our compost is collected from kerbside collections of green waste across North Yorkshire and is processed until it meets a national standard.

"We were delighted to contribute towards the success of this event and especially pleased that it was won by a green-fingered team of students from the area where we operate."

Angela Radley, UK Landscape Project Skills Manager for BALI, said: "The compost Yorwaste provided was of fantastic quality and the service they were able to provide at the last minute was gratefully appreciated."

All the competing team's scores will now be entered onto a leader board where the top four scoring teams will be asked to attend the national finals.

Ultimately, competitors are looking to win a place in WorldSkills Team UK 2011 where they will compete in the International WorldSkills Competition involving 1,400 people from 50 countries, taking part in over 40 different skill-based competitions.

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**Notes to Newsdesks/Reporters:** A photograph of the competitors using the Yorwaste compost is attached on email.

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**About Yorwaste:**

Yorwaste is an innovative waste management and recycling company owned by North Yorkshire County Council and City of York Council. Managing more than one million tonnes of waste each year, it provides a comprehensive range of services from engineered landfill and recycling to liquid waste treatment and supply landfill gas for power generation.

The company's Yorventure operation supports local communities and has provided more than £7m in grants for approved projects over the past ten years. Further information can be found at [www.yorwaste.co.uk](http://www.yorwaste.co.uk)