



Carrier bag record England 2018-2019

Carrier bag record for the fiscal year period 7th April 2018 - 5th April 2019

In October 2015, the UK Parliament introduced a 5p charge on the sale of each new single-use plastic carrier bag for retailers in England with over 250 employees. The aim was to encourage bag re-use and reduce the visible impact of litter.

In line with our long-established charity-giving procedures, we obtained valuable feedback from each of our stores about which charity they most wanted to benefit under the requirements of the UK Carrier Bag Charge. Our Community and Charity Committee carefully reviewed the nominations, and the below charities were selected to receive the money raised through the carrier bag charge scheme.

Here are the successful charities we have partnered with:

- Keep Britain Tidy
- The Prince's Trust
- Alzheimer's Society
- Save the Children
- Teenage Cancer Trust

For the 2018-2019 period, selected charities have received **£1,112,711.81**.

- Number of chargeable bags supplied 28,377,997
- Total amount received from the sale of bags £1,418,899.85
- Total amount received from the 5p charge £1,418,899.85
- Net proceeds of the charge £1,112,711.81

The difference between the total amount received from the sale of bags and the net proceeds of the 5p charge is **£306,188.04**, which is made up of the following:

- Communicating the charge to staff: £97.63
- Communicating the requirements to customers: £61,564.49
- Administering donations to good causes: £8,042.62
- VAT: £236,483.31