



## Carrier bag record Wales 2017-2018

### Carrier bag record for the fiscal year period 7th April 2017 - 6th April 2018

In October 2011 the Welsh Assembly introduced a 5p charge on carrier bags to reduce the number of single use carrier bags given away by retailers. The purpose was to:

- Reduce litter and waste
- Reduce the amount of natural resources that are used to make and distribute bags
- Encourage people to reuse their bags

For more information on carrier bag charging, please visit [www.carrierbagchargewales.gov.uk](http://www.carrierbagchargewales.gov.uk)

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

Here are the successful charities we have partnered with:

- Cancer Research Wales
- Ty Hafan
- Wales Air Ambulance
- Keep Wales Tidy
- Alzheimer's Research UK



For the 2017-2018 period, the above five charities will each receive £13,552.41.

- Number of chargeable bags supplied £1,868,915
- Total amount received from the sale of bags £93,446
- Total amount received from the 5p charge £93,446
- Net proceeds of the charge £67,762.06

The difference between the total amount received from the sale of bags and the net proceeds of the 5p charge is £25,683.94, which is made up of the following:

- Informing the public about the charge: 187.71
- Compliance costs: £9,921.94
- VAT: £15,574.29

Signed

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