# WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

# DASH BOARD DINING

## PREVENTING WASTE ON THE RUN

**Partners: Topaz Service Station on the Dublin Road in Bray**

**The Wicklow Co Co LAPD programme looked at reducing waste generated through 'convenience retail' in service stations. They were joined in this programme by the Topaz Service Station on the Dublin Road in Bray.**

**During the 2 year project Topaz reduced the secondary packaging served per customer by 28%. This was achieved through:**

- Employee and customer awareness raising
- Deli and convenience packaging used was examined for improvement potential
- Topaz then worked with its suppliers to reduce secondary packaging.
- Lighter cardboard is now used and some boxes are returned to the supplier for reuse.

Of the back door waste there was significant improvement in its management with a 24% by weight reduction. Organic waste was the only waste that didn't decrease during the project.

Energy use was reduced through the use of LED lighting in the rebranding of service stations from Statoil to Topaz. Better management of the fridges also contributed to significant savings.

Water efficiency was improved greatly through better water monitoring and recirculating of water in the car wash - water from the last rinse of the previous wash is used for the first wash of the next.

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