



## AVOID CONTAMINATION OF REPROCESSABLE ASPHALT STOCK

**A number of our sites hold asphalt/plant returns from surrounding plants for the purpose of reprocessing and onward distribution and use.**

This material is crushed into Recycled Asphalt Product (RAP) and sent to appropriately enabled asphalt plants for use in finished bituminous products.

There is a risk that the stockpile of asphalt/plant returns awaiting processing becomes contaminated with uncoated aggregate, construction waste, general waste, kerbs, metal and other such materials deleterious to the process. A few examples from our sites are shown below:



### LEARNING POINTS

- Asphalt allocated for reprocessing should only be from returned/tipped loads.
- There should be no construction waste e.g. kerbs, bricks etc sent for processing
- There may be a small amount of uncoated material present but not large quantities.
- Plant clean outs or construction waste from customers should be stored handled separately to RAP feedstocks
- The higher the percentage of construction waste present, the more the overall proportion of bitumen contained within the RAP is reduced. This impacts the financial benefit of the RAP and overall quality.
- If you see contaminated return stock please raise with site management.