



DON'T RELY ON FAMILY TO DO THE RIGHT THING

WHAT HAPPENED?	An hotelier admitted he was "being ignorant" to where mattresses, bed cases, carpets and furniture were disposed of following a refurbishment. His father agreed to get rid of the waste but his son was caught when the sign to his business 'The White Hart Hotel' was left with the piles of rubbish where it was dumped in a country lane in Staffordshire.
OUTCOME	The hotelier was fined £440 and ordered to pay £567.53 costs and a £44 victim surcharge after he was found guilty under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. His father failed to attend an interview and was found guilty of obstruction offences contrary to Section 110 of the Environment Act 1995 at a previous hearing and was fined £220.
CONTEXT	To transport waste the person transporting the waste needs to be a registered waste carrier. An environmental permit or registered exemption needs to be in place which allows for the keeping or treating of such waste contrary to S.33 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990
WHAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE DIFFERENTLY?	Waste segregation would have enabled material that was suitable for recycling to be recycled – saving on landfill tax costs. A waste management company should have been engaged to determine the best route for the material. A registered waste carrier should have been used to transport the material and the material should have been taken to an exempt or permitted facility for treatment.