



 **Chiltern**  
District Council  
*We're recycling, are you?*

 **WYCOMBE**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

# Waste & Recycling Communications

# Who are we?

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# General communications

**A** Recycling Guide and Calendar 2017 - 2018

**Mixed recycling**  
 materials recycling week

Waste kitchen tins, tins & tins  
 Tea, rice, cereals & fruit  
 Glass bottles & jars  
 Milk, juice & soup cartons  
 Shampoo, body wash & surf/wash bottles

What can't be recycled  
 all soft plastics  
 paper and cardboard (not your papers)  
 white plastic (except bottles)  
 glass (except egg cartons)  
 any floor tiles or slabs  
 wood or garden waste  
 plastic film or packaging  
 household appliances or fittings  
 petrol, diesel, oil  
 electrical items  
 garden waste  
 hazardous items

www.chiltern.gov.uk/news | www.chiltern.gov.uk/news-and-recycling

Chiltern Council @ChilternCouncil - Sep 26  
 General waste bin? Nooo - this stale slice is shocked it's not being recycled  
 #foodwaste #brownfoodbin #recycleweek

What goes in my paper and cardboard recycling container

**YES** place these items in your paper and cardboard recycling container

**NO** DO NOT place these items in your paper and cardboard recycling container

**Mixed Recycling**

What goes in my mixed recycling bin?

**YES** place these items in your mixed recycling bin

**NO** do not place these items in your mixed recycling bin

Joint waste service  
 Chiltern  
 01494 586550



# Great British Spring Clean




150+ litter pickers loaned  
250+ volunteers  
A lot of rubbish!

# Website improvements

- Mobile friendly pages
- Streamlined content
- Waste Wizard'
- Improved reporting functionality

## WHAT GOES IN MY BINS? - HOUSEHOLDS



Waste Wizard Need help? Share

Want to know which bin to put something in or where to take it?  
Search for an item and we'll tell you how to recycle, compost or dispose of it.

- Wrapping paper (foil)
- Wrapping paper (paper only)
- Bubble wrap
- Plastic film
- Sandwich packaging (card)
- Cigarettes, cigarette butts, cigars and ashes
- Aluminium foil
- Aluminium foil tray

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[Terms of Service](#)

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## REPORT AN ABANDONED VEHICLE

DOES THE VEHICLE HAVE A KNOWN OWNER?

If the vehicle has a known owner, it is not classified as abandoned. Vehicles obstructing the public highway or a hazard to road users should be reported to the police on the non-emergency number 101  
PLEASE CHOOSE \*

- No  
 Yes

BACK

NEXT

## LOCATION OF LITTER / OVERFLOWING BIN

Enter an address or postcode in the search bar, or double click on the map to drop a pin in the location. You can move the pin around once it is on the map to fine tune the position.

Please use the map to pinpoint where the litter or overflowing bin is located \*

51.6754218, 0.6033645

HIDE MAP



Enter address or postcode

SEARCH

RESET

CLEAR LOCATION

Please provide any other relevant details e.g. the amount & type of litter \*

# Fresher's Fayre



- 144+ engagements
- Excellent overall knowledge – 81% correct answers
- Confusion over plastic coat hangers and aerosol cans



# Education

Visits to schools in Marlow,  
Beaconsfield and Bourne End

Recycling workshops and litter  
picks



# Food recycling

**Food recycling  
has never been easier**

You can now use **plastic bags** to line your food waste recycling caddy...



- Acceptance of plastic bags
- 99,633 packs of food waste liners and information
- All householders black bins stickered



Your **FOOD WASTE** is recycled into **ENERGY** to power our homes



...and food recycling has never been easier!

You can now use plastic bags to line your food waste recycling caddy, as well as newspaper or compostable bags.

This autumn, we are distributing food recycling packs to households across Wycombe, Chiltern and South Bucks districts. Each pack contains free caddy liners and information about food waste recycling.

At the same time, stickers are being placed on general rubbish bins as a reminder that food waste can be recycled.

**NO FOOD WASTE**  
Please use your food recycling caddy

 **recycle**  
for Buckinghamshire

[www.recycleforbuckinghamshire.co.uk/food](http://www.recycleforbuckinghamshire.co.uk/food)



## YOUR FOOD WASTE

# Food for thought

The best thing we can do with our wasted food is to avoid producing it in the first instance! In fact, the average UK household could save up to £470 a year by reducing the amount of food they throw away. We can shop smarter and manage portions to save money. More information is available at [www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com)



However, some food waste is inevitable. Things like banana skins, tea bags or chicken bones, can all be recycled.

Recycling your food waste generates energy to power our homes and produces fertiliser for farms. Recycling just one caddy load of food waste can generate enough electricity to power a light bulb for more than 24 hours

That's where we can help. We will collect your food waste every week and to make life even easier, read below....

### Good News!

We've listened to residents and to make life easier you can now use plastic bags, to line your food caddy. Compostable bags can still be used. You can even use newspaper to wrap your food waste in.

We now accept food waste wrapped in plastic freezer bags, carrier bags, pedal bin liners, or any repurposed bag. Tie the bags up when full and place inside the brown food bin. **Top tip!** Make use of bags around the home – reuse salad, cereal, bread, in fact any bag you would usually throw in the rubbish bin.

This is made possible due to improved processes at the Anaerobic Digestion (AD) facility where



Buckinghamshire's food waste is turned into energy and fertiliser.

### So what happens to my food waste?

Your food waste is sent for Anaerobic digestion. This is a natural process where microorganisms break down your food waste and produce Biogas.

Before the microorganisms can get to work, your food waste is prepared for digestion. Bags, liners and paper are mechanically removed. Liquid food waste is added to get the right consistency for digestion.

The food waste is then digested in special, sealed containers without any oxygen. As the microorganisms break down the food waste, they produce a methane rich gas called Biogas

Biogas is collected, stored, and then burned in a combined heat and power engine to produce electricity and heat. This electricity is fed back into the National grid to power our homes.

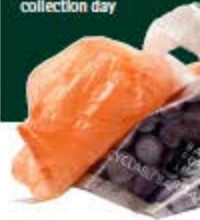
The leftover broken down food waste is called digestate. Digestate is nutrient rich and is used by local farmers as a fertiliser.



## TOP TIPS

We've produced handy tips to keep your food recycling clean and easy to do this summer.

- 1 Line your caddy and empty regularly to keep it clean
- 2 Rinse your caddy in hot water, or place in the dishwasher
- 3 Line the bottom of your caddy with kitchen newspaper to keep it dry
- 4 Keep your outdoor food caddy locked; push the button forward to lock it
- 5 Present your food waste in a bag every week on collection day



## FOOD WASTE

# Are you throwing away £700 a year?

Your food does its job best when it's on a plate ready to be enjoyed. Reducing unnecessary food waste saves you money and is great for the environment.

## What's in it for me?

Well, shockingly, the average family of four throws away £700 worth of food each year. Can you afford to throw away £80 each month? Just think what you could be spending that money on instead.

There are simple ways to reduce what we waste by improving our habits and behaviour. It begins with the choices we make as consumers and getting smarter with the food we would otherwise throw away.

With Christmas approaching, take this opportunity to plan your festive meals and get creative with your leftover food. Who knew you could freeze stilton cheese? You can even freeze bread sauce! For lots more inspiration, hints and tips check out [www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com)



## "Your food isn't rubbish"

Obviously the best place to start is to avoid wasting food. Some food waste though, will be inevitable – stuff like vegetable peelings and tea bags. If you aren't able to home compost this material, we can help.

Food waste is not rubbish. It can be turned into something really useful. Energy and fertiliser! Next time you go to throw your stale bread in the rubbish bin – STOP – put it in your brown bin.

Recycle your food. We collect your food waste every week, so no smells, no messy food lingering in the rubbish bin for two weeks. And no amount is too small.

**NO  
FOOD  
WASTE**

Please use your food recycling caddy

# Our top tips guide to recycling

Recycle this. Recycle that. So many myths. It's hard to know what's right and wrong.

That's where your new collection calendar comes in. It gives you an easy to use guide to show which materials you can and should be recycling at home. And it's not just about drink packaging we can recycle. We want your clean plastic bottles, toiletry bottles..... empty aerosol cans. The more the better. It's important that the right items end up in the right bin otherwise the materials may be rejected when we send them for recycling. While you can put a lot of items into your blue bin here's some things that don't belong in your blue bin

- ✗ Plastic wrappers including cling film
- ✗ Plastic carrier bags and bin liners
- ✗ Tear off plastic covers
- ✗ Plastic toys and plant pots
- ✗ Coat hangers

For more information visit [www.wycombe.gov.uk](http://www.wycombe.gov.uk)

## Remember me?

We've sent every household an info pack on food waste recycling. It includes introductory rolls of plastic bags that can be used to line your food caddy.

You can also line your caddy with plastic bags, compostable bags and newspaper.

If you don't already have a brown food bin you can request one online at [www.wycombe.gov.uk/foodbin](http://www.wycombe.gov.uk/foodbin)



Through the success of the kerbside recycling service there's been less demand for a lot of our local recycling centres. Following a local review, a number of sites have now been closed.

You can still take extra recycling to the following locations:

- ✓ Chorley Road, West Wycombe
- ✓ Morrisons, High Wycombe
- ✓ Asda, Cressex
- ✓ Queensmead Road, Loudwater
- ✓ Beaumont Way, Hazlemere
- ✓ Wiltshire Road, Marlow
- ✓ Riley Road, Marlow
- ✓ Stratton Road, Princes Risborough

Better still, you can put out extra recycling at the kerbside. If your bin is full, you can leave out extra recycling in a suitable container (not a carrier bag) and put it out with your blue bin for us to collect. ...and for those presents which come in extra large cardboard boxes, we can also collect large cardboard boxes if they have been cut down to a manageable size. Just stack them neatly by your paper box ready for collection.

# Caddy orders



# Christmas

## Christmas in Chesham 24/11/17



# LARAC nomination



**Practising for next year!**

Thank you