

REASONS TO RECYCLE YOUR FOOD WASTE

Your food waste will be turned into something useful. When you use your food waste recycling it will be taken to a special processing plant in London Colney where it is used to generate electricity to power homes and the local community. It also produces a fertiliser which is used by local farms.



- ✓ Recycling food waste reduces the amount of harmful greenhouse gases released and helps tackle climate change.
- ✓ Your food waste will be used to generate electricity to power local homes and produce fertiliser for local farms.



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FOOD RECYCLING COLLECTION



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YOUR NEW FREE, WEEKLY FOOD WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE

We're making changes to the way your food waste is collected so that we can all recycle better.

All you will need to do is empty any food waste you have, such as plate scrapings, peelings and tea bags into the new silver food waste bin. Food waste will be collected every week on the same day as your other waste and recycling collections.

RECYCLING YOUR FOOD WASTE HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER

Many people use a kitchen caddy for their food waste. These are available, free of charge, from centres across the borough - find your nearest site: hertsmere.gov.uk/foodwaste



1 Use compostable liners or reuse a plastic bag to line your kitchen caddy - the only thing you can't use is a black bag.



2 Once full, empty the contents of the kitchen caddy directly into your silver food bin. Alternatively, tie the liner and place it in your silver bin.



Top tip

You can use your own container, like a biscuit tin or ice cream tub - do whatever works for you.







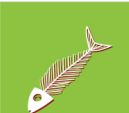

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You can reuse a plastic bag, such as a bread bag, salad bag or cereal bag.

We all get recycling. Now let's get it right.

WHAT WILL I BE ABLE TO RECYCLE?

You can recycle all your food waste, including the following:

 food waste	✓ All uneaten food and plate scrapings	 dairy	✓ Dairy products ✓ Cheese ✓ Eggs	 bread & pastries	✓ Bread ✓ Cakes ✓ Pastries
 meat & bones	✓ Raw meat ✓ Cooked meat ✓ Bones	 tea & coffee grounds	✓ Tea bags ✓ Coffee grounds	 fruit & vegetables	✓ Raw vegetables ✓ Cooked vegetables ✓ Whole fruit ✓ Peelings
 fish	✓ Fish ✓ Cooked fish ✓ Bones	 rice pasta & beans	✓ Rice ✓ Pasta ✓ Beans	Remember to recycle your mouldy and out of date food, including ready meals removed from their packaging.	

Please do not put any of these materials in your food waste bin

- ✗ Packaging of any kind - except plastic bags used as a liner
- ✗ Liquids such as milk
- ✗ Oil or liquid fat
- ✗ Any material that is not food waste

By recycling your food waste correctly you will help cut down the amount of food waste that ends up in landfill. Food waste sent to landfill doesn't harmlessly break down. It has a big impact on the environment as it rots and releases methane – a harmful greenhouse gas that is 25 times more potent than carbon dioxide.