

# NEW WEEKLY FOOD WASTE RECYCLING COLLECTION

Service starting  
31 October 2022

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# YOUR NEW FOOD RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICE

From 31 October 2022 we will be introducing a new separate weekly food waste collection service. We are making changes to the way your food waste is collected so that it is collected weekly from a smaller, more secure container to encourage everyone to recycle food waste for a greener West Berkshire.

All you will need to do is separate any food waste you have, such as plate scrapings, peelings and tea bags into the new inside kitchen caddy and then put it out for collection in your new outside kerbside caddy. This service will be free of charge to residents.

By recycling your food waste you will help cut down the amount of food waste that ends up in landfill sites or incineration facilities. Food waste that is sent to landfill doesn't harmlessly breakdown. It has a big impact on the environment as it rots and releases methane – a greenhouse gas that is over 20 times more harmful than carbon dioxide.

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## Start of the service

The new service will start from **Monday 31 October 2022** and we will collect your food waste weekly on the same day as we collect your other rubbish and recycling.

## What we have provided

To enable you to recycle your food waste easily we have provided you with:



A smaller inside caddy to collect the waste in the kitchen.



One roll of compostable liners to line the inside caddy. This is a one off supply to get you started. Certified EN13432



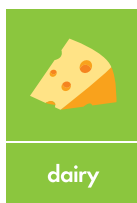
An outside kerbside caddy which we will empty from the kerbside weekly.

# WHAT WILL I BE ABLE TO RECYCLE?

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



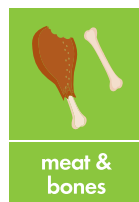
- ✓ All uneaten food and plate scrapings



- ✓ Dairy products
- ✓ Cheese
- ✓ Eggs



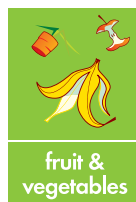
- ✓ Bread
- ✓ Cakes
- ✓ Pastries



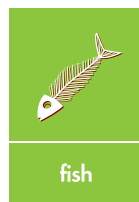
- ✓ Raw meat
- ✓ Cooked meat
- ✓ Bones



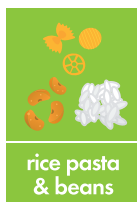
- ✓ Tea bags
- ✓ Coffee grounds



- ✓ Raw and cooked vegetables
- ✓ Whole fruit
- ✓ Peelings



- ✓ Fish
- ✓ Cooked fish
- ✓ Bones



- ✓ 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 in your caddy

- ✗ Packaging of any kind (including any paper)
- ✗ Liquids such as milk
- ✗ Oil or liquid fat
- ✗ Anything that is not food waste
- ✗ No large red meat bones



# REASONS TO RECYCLE YOUR FOOD WASTE

When recycled, food waste can be turned into something useful. Your food waste will be taken to our in-vessel composting facility in Padworth, West Berkshire, where it will be recycled into a soil conditioner which is used by local farmers and landscapers.

- ✓ Recycling your food waste is better for the environment.
- ✓ Your outside food waste caddy is collected every week.
- ✓ Your household bin will be cleaner and less full if you recycle your food waste.



## Top tip

For tips and recipes to help you waste less food and save money, visit: [lovefoodhatewaste.com](https://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com)



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