

Glass



In the first year of doorstep glass collections, the council collected around 2,500 extra tonnes of glass. To help increase recycling further, we've been rolling out special glass recycling bins to flats across the District.

We know that not every site suitable for a communal glass bin is on the council's list and need your help to fill the gaps. If you haven't got a communal glass bin, but think your address should have one, write to me at mtod@winchester.gov.uk and I'll get it sorted out.

Garden Waste



Following the decision by the County Council to cut the money local councils receive for recycled materials, all the councils in Hampshire with a free garden waste collection service are switching to a paid for garden waste collection service. [Winchester's new service is due to start on February 1](#). We've tried to keep the cost down - we have the 3rd lowest price in Hampshire. It costs £39 to have a 140L bin collected for a year and £59 for a 240L bin.

Order now

I know some people are worried about finding space for the bin. I've asked that the City Council make it free to switch to smaller black and green bins as well for people who have ordered the brown bin - and that should solve the problem for many people. To arrange this, you will need to call the call centre on 0300 300 0013.

In a few cases, where there is no physical space for the bin, especially where people have all bag collections (for example, Canon Street in Winchester), people will be staying with bags, but will also have to pay the charge. Call 0300 300 0013 if you would like your address to be assessed for this.

The current service is stopping on February 1, so if you want garden waste collection in the coming year, it's important to [order soon](#).

Cartons



I know many people are frustrated that they can't get laminate cartons, such as

Tetrapaks, recycled. In response, for the last few months, we've been running a trial of carton recycling at Worthy Lane Car Park in Winchester. It's been a success with more than a tonne of cartons being collected and low contamination, so we're now reviewing sites across the district to expand the service further. Let me know if you'd like it in your area. We'll let you know as soon as the plan for expansion is in place.

Batteries



Starting from February 1, Biffa will be collecting batteries alongside normal collections. Put any small batteries in a sandwich type bag or bread bag and leave it on top of your bin when you put it out.

Small Electrical Appliances

From February 1 as well, you can also recycle any small waste electrical or electronic equipment. Put any electronic items small enough to fit in a standard shopping bag, such as kettles or toasters, in that bag, alongside your weekly collection.

I hope this information is useful. From our perspective, this is only the start. The Lib Dem team is actively working with Council Officers to see how we can recycle even more. All suggestions and ideas welcome.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to get in touch.

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