

Recycle More Messenger

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Welcome to the fourth Taunton Deane **Recycle More Messenger**. The new service **STARTS IN LESS THAN A WEEK** so now is a good time to remind yourself of what is changing and when.

EXTRA RUBBISH COLLECTIONS FOR SOME—PLEASE CHECK!

Around 11,000 households will have a one-off extra rubbish collection on Saturday 30 Oct or Saturday 6 Nov.

These are to make sure no-one has a gap of more than three weeks between rubbish collections as we move to the new service.

Anyone affected will have this made clear in their calendar. Please check.

Missing a “Coming soon” leaflet?

The all-important orange and blue leaflet contains your collection day calendar.

Not had yours yet? Request it using the form on the SWT website www.somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk (see popular tasks on the homepage) or call 0300 3048000.

Remember—keep the calendar somewhere safe for future reference.

You can use the My Collection Day feature on the SWP homepage to download:

- a printable version
- your collection days onto the calendar on your laptop or mobile device.

Bright Blue Bags hit the streets



The new recycling containers started arriving last week, delivered by teams following the recycling crews.

Not had yours yet? Don't panic. They will be delivered up until 29 Oct and you will get one before your first new collection.

They should be put somewhere easy to find, usually in an empty recycling box.

Please don't use the new bags until your first Recycle More collection day.

The delivery teams will also be adding stickers to the boxes to make it clear what goes where with the new service.

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Green box



Glass – bottles and jars of any colour.
Rinsed and unbroken. Leave the lids on.



Food and drink cartons (or Tetra Pak) –
such as juice, milk and soup cartons.

What plastics go in the bag?

Plastic bottles such as those for milk, soft drinks, shampoo, detergents.

Plastic pots such as those for yoghurt, soup, face cream, hair gel, toiletries.

Plastic tubs such as those for margarine, ice cream, laundry tablets.

Plastic trays (any colour) such as those for meat, fruit/veg, ready meals.

Can I recycle all plastics?

No. Some are still really difficult to recycle because there are few reprocessors to take them in this country. We don't want to collect them unless we know we can get them recycled and in the UK if possible.

Recycle More WILL NOT collect

Thin stretchy and crinkly plastics, such as carrier bags, food wrappings or film from food trays and punnets.

Hard plastics, such as plastic toys, CD cases, car parts, coat hangers, blister packs, toothbrushes, pens.

Other plastics, such as toothpaste tubes and polystyrene/expanded polystyrene.

Mixed materials, such as pet food pouches and crisp packets.

If you cannot reuse or recycle them elsewhere, put them in your rubbish bin. Some supermarkets now take some of these materials so please check where you shop.

You can also check www.terracycle.com for local volunteer collections.

Concerns or worries? Get in touch

Recycle More is running in Mendip and South Somerset and working well for the vast majority of people. But we want to hear from anyone who has questions or worries.

- Contact us through the form on the Somerset West and Taunton website (see popular tasks on the homepage)
- Telephone Somerset West and Taunton on 0300 3048000.

Full details available at somersetwaste.gov.uk/recycle-more

