STaRTING FROM 2 MARCH

Alternate Weekly Collections

General rubbish (grey lidded bin)

Recycling (blue lidded bin)

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www.enfield.gov.uk/bins
Alternate weekly collections

Your general rubbish bin (grey lidded bin) and recycling bin (blue lidded bin) will now be collected on alternate weeks from 2 March.

Your collection day will remain the same. Enclosed with this leaflet is a calendar which shows you which bins need to be put out each week.

You can also look up your collection schedule online at www.enfield.gov.uk/bins

Food recycling

There is no change to the food recycling, which is collected weekly.

Your garden waste will only be collected if you have subscribed to the service and have your permit displayed on your green lidded bin.

If you haven’t subscribed for the garden waste collection service, you can still do so at www.enfield.gov.uk/greenbin
Managing your waste

• The weekly collection of food recycling will save space in the general rubbish bin.

• To make the most of the space in your blue lidded recycling bin make sure you fold, squash and flatten items such as plastic bottles, drinks cans, cardboard boxes and cartons.

N.B. you can now leave flattened cardboard boxes for collection alongside your blue lidded recycling bin on collection day.

Rubbish bins (grey lidded bin)

The 140 litre rubbish bins (grey lidded bin) are standard sized. Larger 240 litre rubbish bins will only be made available to residents who meet the following criteria:

• Two or more children in nappies
• Family of five or more
• Medical or incontinence waste

You can find more information on applying for a larger rubbish bin at www.enfield.gov.uk/bins

Recycling (blue lidded bin)

Don’t forget to rinse out any food, liquid residue from bottles and jars as this could contaminate your recycling.
What can go in your food recycling bin

• Fish and meat bones
• 100% compostable liners (with the seedling logo)
• Cooked and uncooked food (including meat)
• Egg shells
• General food waste
• Coffee grounds
• Pet food

What can’t go in your food recycling bin

• Plastic bags or liners
• General rubbish (e.g. packaging)
• Garden waste (including leaves, house plants and soil)
• Pet waste
• Liquids (e.g. oil, milk)
Food recycling is just as important as the key dry recycling materials. Eggshells, banana skins and bones can’t be consumed, however we can minimise the amount of food we throw out and save money by following some easy steps:

Plan your food shop, check what food you already have in the kitchen.

Write a shopping list on your phone or in a notepad and stick to it.

Make your food last longer by improving your food storage methods e.g. set your fridge to the correct temperature and store vegetables in a cool dark place.

Use any leftover food to make a new meal or snack. Soups, curries and stir-fries can all be made with leftover veggies, meat and fish.

Freeze food. Bread, cheese, milk and berries can all be frozen.
Reducing single use plastic

- Where possible see if you can reduce the use of single use plastic – some simple steps could include
  - Opting for reusable water bottles
  - Using paper or metal drinking straws and cutlery
  - Where possible, buying groceries and other products with minimal or no plastic packaging
  - Shopping with reusable shopping bags instead of buying plastic bags
  - Carrying a reusable coffee cup
Keep updated by signing up to the Waste and Recycling e-newsletter at [www.enfield.gov.uk/ene newsletters](http://www.enfield.gov.uk/ene newsletters)

Go to [www.enfield.gov.uk/bins](http://www.enfield.gov.uk/bins) for all the information on

- Bin collections
- Food recycling
- Paid for garden waste collection service

**Wise up to Waste and Love Food Hate Waste**
are two of the best places where you can find out about wasting less and saving more money!

[www.wiseuptowaste.org](http://www.wiseuptowaste.org)
[www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com)

**Free waste and recycling collections**

**Textiles – Furniture – Household**
The British Heart Foundation will collect unwanted furniture, household items, clothes, bags, curtains, blankets, shoes, odd socks and lingerie.

You can book a free collection online and they’ll give you a call within 72 hours to confirm your booking [www.bhf.org.uk](http://www.bhf.org.uk) or call 0808 250 0030.

**Electricals**
Clearabee can remove your bulky and difficult to handle waste electrical items. All you need to do is contact them and they’ll give you a collection date. Place your goods outside and leave the rest to them. For all details, visit: [www.clearabee.co.uk/free-weee-kerbside-service/](http://www.clearabee.co.uk/free-weee-kerbside-service/) or call 0330 088 1085.

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**Textiles & Shoes**

**Electrical Goods**
Garden Waste Collection Service

Don’t miss out on a full 12 months’ service by applying before 12 March 2020
www.enfield.gov.uk/greenbin

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