

University students help us recycle more

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Living in private
accommodation?
Find out all you need to
know about waste and
recycling inside



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This leaflet shows you how to use your free Council recycling and rubbish collections to help keep your community streets clean and green and recycle more.

Living on campus?
Please contact your university to find out about recycling in your halls of residence

Your collection day is:

Your weekly green box recycling collection

Yes please: ✓

- Paper and greetings cards
- Food and drink cans and aerosols
- Household plastic packaging (bottles, pots, tubs and trays)
- Glass bottles
- and jars
- Foil
- Clothes and shoes
- Batteries
- Car batteries
- Used engine oil
- Spectacles
- Mobile telephones
- Ink and toner cartridges

No thanks: ✗

- Any black plastic food trays
- Plastic film and bags
- Polystyrene

If you need new, free recycling containers please contact Council Connect – see back page for contact details.



- Please wash and squash cans, plastic packaging and foil and wash glass bottles and jars.
- Please group the different materials in your box to help our crews sort faster and ensure we recycle the correct things (see picture). It is ok to mix cans and plastics together.



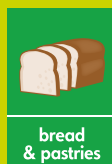
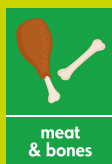
Your weekly **food waste recycling** collection

You must use your kitchen caddy and larger outside food waste bin to recycle all your cooked and uncooked food waste. This will help keep your street clean from gulls attacking your black sacks searching for food.



- Line your kitchen caddy with a compostable liner (bag) or newspaper.
- Empty your caddy into your food waste bin before it gets too full, and rinse both bins regularly to keep them clean.
- Make sure you keep your food bin locked by pulling the handle forward so it is secure from animals and birds.

Yes please:



No thanks:

- Plastic bags
- Packaging of any sort
- Liquids or cooking oils



- Please use only compostable liners with this seedling logo as these will break down to make compost.
- You can buy 5 litre compostable liners from local shops and supermarkets – view a list of stockists www.bathnes.gov.uk/foodwaste Online offers are often the cheapest, visit: www.getcomposting.com

It's really important to use your food waste bin to stop animals and birds attacking your rubbish for food.



Your weekly **cardboard recycling** collection

All cardboard must be flattened and folded or cut so it fits into your blue bag (no bigger than 45cm square) and onto our vehicles. Please wash and squash cartons.

Yes please: ✓

- Cardboard
- Food and drink cartons (Tetra Paks)
- Brown paper



No thanks: ✗

- Plastic, sticky tape and polystyrene

Your weekly **small electrical** items collection



Yes please: ✓

- Any small electrical item that has a plug or uses batteries such as a hairdryer, toaster, electric toothbrush (must fit into an average sized plastic carrier bag).

No thanks: ✗

- Any large electrical items such as TVs, PC monitors, or fridges but you can take these to our Recycling Centres for free, see back page.

Please put your small electrical items into an untied carrier bag next to your green box on your collection day.



Your weekly rubbish collection

Use this collection only for items you can't recycle. **Do not put food waste in your rubbish.** Problems can arise between you and your neighbours if you do not take responsibility of keeping your house and garden clear from rubbish. We take littering offences seriously and will fine and prosecute where necessary.

- We don't supply wheeled bins for your rubbish. You must use black plastic sacks or carrier bags (tied) to contain your rubbish for collection.
- If you live in a street where we have issued Council reusable rubbish bags, you **must** store your plastic sacks in this and put this reusable bag out on your collection day. Alternatively, we suggest you use a normal dustbin to store your plastic sacks for collection. Ask your landlord to provide one if there is not one at your property. This will prevent gulls and animals ripping open bags which will cause street mess.
- Please don't overfill your sacks so they can be picked up without them splitting open.
- Please wrap anything sharp, like broken glass, in plenty of newspaper first.

Putting your recycling and rubbish out for collection

- We collect your recycling and rubbish on the same day of the week but with different vehicles.
- All collections are weekly except garden waste which is fortnightly.
- You must put out your containers by **7am on your collection day (or as late as possible after 8pm the night before)** at the front edge of your property, where they can be seen easily by our crews.
- Please bring containers back in as soon as you can after emptying.
- We collect as normal on all bank holidays except over Christmas and New Year.
- **You can be fined for leaving your rubbish and recycling out at the wrong time or if it is not contained in appropriate containers and is causing a mess.**

Keep your garden clean

You must keep your front and back garden clear of rubbish. You can take your green garden waste to your local Recycling Centre for free for composting (see next page) or you can use our chargeable fortnightly garden waste collection (wheeled bin or Council sacks).

Don't leave items such as broken furniture and fridges in your garden or street. Take them for free to our Recycling Centre or book a Council bulky waste collection (chargeable) through Council Connect. You can be fined for leaving broken furniture in the street.

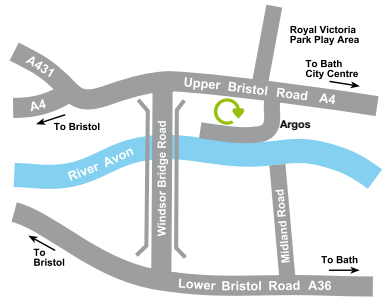


Recycling Centres

We have three Recycling Centres where you can take larger unwanted or broken household items or extra recycling or rubbish for free.

Please take your student ID card when you visit, to prove you are a student. You will not be allowed on site without proof.

Your local Recycling Centre is at Midland Road, Bath, BA1 3AT (by Argos on the Upper Bristol Road)



Moving out?

It may seem a long way away but plan ahead to reduce, reuse and recycle! You don't want to get charged for not leaving your property how you found it.

- Take large items of unwanted furniture and large electrical items to your local Recycling Centre.
- Donate unwanted items in good condition to local charities.
- Donate any non-perishable food to Foodbank www.bath.foodbank.org.uk
- SOFA project www.sofaproject.org.uk and the Genesis Furniture Project www.genestrust.org.uk may collect good quality items from you for free at their discretion, for reuse.



- Advertise, give away or find items for free on www.uk.freecycle.org or the Council can provide a chargeable collection service.
- Be considerate to your neighbours and don't leave loads of rubbish at the end of term – plan ahead and make full use of your weekly recycling collections before you leave.

Find out more

To find out your collection day, order any free recycling container, report a missed collection or for more information please see our website or contact

Council Connect:

✉ 01225 39 40 41 SMS 07797 806545

☎ councilconnect@bathnes.gov.uk

📱 www.bathnes.gov.uk/wasteservices



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When you have finished with this item please recycle it

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