

What's next?

The new service will start in phases across the city. Some properties, including a number of flats, may not receive the service until suitable changes have been made to the waste and recycling services.

January 2010 - we will deliver, to the vast majority of properties, two food waste containers. Along with full details of the service and a collection calendar.

February 2010 - we will start collecting in the new way.

If you have any questions please contact Gloucester City Council on 01452 396396 or recycling@gloucester.gov.uk

recycle for Gloucester

If you need this information in another format, such as large print and pdf, or need help with translating it into another language, contact Gloucester City Council on 01452 396396.

The information contained in this leaflet constitutes formal notice of a change to your domestic refuse collection services as required by Section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

The benefits and financial penalties

1. Gives you the opportunity to recycle more of your waste by providing an easy and convenient collection service.
2. Reduces the amount of waste that has to be landfilled, as sites are becoming full.
3. In 2008/9 Gloucestershire had a landfill tax bill of £5.4 million. This will rise to £7 million this year and is set to double to £10 million by 2013.
4. Reduces the smell caused by rotting food in your waste bin by providing a weekly collection service.
5. The collected food waste is taken to a plant that turns it into a compost material for agricultural purposes.

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Your New Recycling & Refuse Collection Service

Gloucester City Council is making improvements to the way your refuse is collected. This means you will be able to recycle more



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Your new food waste and enhanced recycling service

Councillor Steve Morgan, cabinet member for the environment says:

We're making changes to the way your food waste is collected so, you can recycle more. We can also ensure we meet government guidelines to deal with your waste in a more cost-effective and environmentally acceptable way.

From February 2010 Gloucester City Council will be introducing a new weekly food waste collection and enhanced recycling scheme.

Your actions will help to cut down the amount of food waste that ends up in landfill sites.

Your food waste will be collected and taken to a special processing plant where it will be recycled into compost, for use on farms.

However, if you already home compost please continue to do this.


Next time you are preparing a meal, stop and think. Producing, storing and getting food to our homes uses a lot of energy.

Wasting less would save nationally the equivalent of at least 15 million tonnes of carbon dioxide. That's like taking 1 in 5 cars off UK roads."



How the new service works

In **January 2010** you will receive two new containers and in **February 2010** we will collect:

 **WEEKLY** - your recycling box will also include all types of plastic bottles, light card (but not corrugated cardboard) and small domestic household dry-cell batteries, BUT excludes textiles, which can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centres or put in doorstep charity bags.

 **WEEKLY** - your food waste.

 **EVERY OTHER WEEK** - your rubbish in your black, wheeled, bin.

 **EVERY OTHER WEEK** - your green waste in your garden waste green, wheeled, bin.



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Your new waste collection made easy

By using your weekly recycling and food waste collection services, your landfill waste will reduce significantly, meaning your black, wheeled, rubbish bin will only need to be emptied every other week

Details of what to put out and when, will be delivered with your food waste bins in January.

Weekly food waste collection

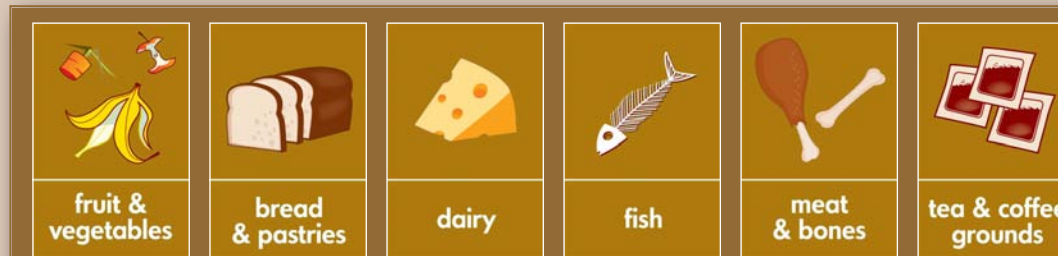
It is important to collect food waste separately. **You should separate your food waste from the rest of your waste and we will provide:**

A small caddy to collect food waste in the kitchen. (Please only use newspaper if you want to line the caddy.)

An outside food waste bin which we will empty **weekly**.

You will be able to recycle all your food waste – cooked and raw including:

- Meat and fish – raw and cooked, including bones.
- Uneaten food from your plates and dishes.
- All dairy products, such as eggs and cheese.
- Raw and cooked vegetables and fruit.
- Bread, cakes and pastries.
- Rice, pasta and beans.
- Tea and coffee grounds/bags.



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