Recycling Service Consultation



We're considering changing the way we collect your dry recycling.

We first started collecting your dry recycling from separate boxes about 20 years ago. This was because there were recycling plants close by that we could take material straight to.

Over the years we started to collect more materials and you can now recycle paper, cardboard, glass, cans and mixed plastics. The way many councils now collect recycling has changed though, so it's right that we look at what we do.

There are two main options. Either we keep the current kerbside box service or we give you wheelie bins.

We pick up your dry recycling every fortnight from three kerbside boxes. This is about 165 litres of recycling space every fortnight. The reason we ask you to sort your recycling is because we have to separate it. That's because different materials get taken to different places to be recycled. Collecting recycling in this way means that we can make sure we're not picking up anything that can't be recycled so what we collect is very high quality. Recycling plants want high quality material like this as it's easy to recycle and we can get money from selling it.

If you live in a flat you may have communal bins for different materials which will be emptied by different vehicles on different days.

If we kept collecting recycling in this way there would be no change to how much it costs to run the service. But we've listened to you and we know that we can make some improvements to this.

We could give you a wheelie bin for your recycling. You'd put all your recycling in to this bin. A wheelie bin would give you nearly 50% more room to recycle.

All the material we collect would go to one place. The different types of recycling would be sorted there. However, this means it's more expensive to send it there and we may not get money from selling it. Collecting recycling from wheelie bins is more efficient though, and we don't need special wagons to collect it. We know that many of you would like a wheelie bin for your recycling. It's easier to recycle and gives you more room. It also means there's less chance of recycling being blown around when it's windy.

Moving to this system would cost the Council more money.

1. Do you agree or disagree with the following options

Description of Service	Agree	Disagree
The Council should keep the		
existing service using		
kerbside boxes		
The Council should move to		
a wheelie bin service		

- 2. If the Council moved to a wheelie bin system do you think you would
 - a. Recycle the same amount of your waste
 - b. Recycle more of your waste
 - c. Not recycle any of your waste

If you would not recycle any of your waste please use the space below to tell us why

You may have seen in the news recently that the Government has launched their waste strategy. This says it's better not to collect paper and cardboard mixed with glass. This is because tiny pieces of glass can get into the paper, making it harder to recycle.

Because of this we may choose to move to a two wheelie bin recycling system.

With this system you would have one bin for paper and cardboard and one bin for glass, cans and plastics. If the paper and cardboard was collected separately it would ensure that we had a high quality material that could be recycled easily. We could also get money from selling the paper and cardboard.

Moving to this system may cost the Council less money.

- 3. If we moved to a **two wheelie bin recycling system** would you:
 - a. Agree with this
 - b. Disagree with this
 - c. Don't know
- 4. What type of property do you live in? (This helps us to see if where people live affects how they recycle).
 - a. Detached or semi-detached house
 - b. Detached or semi-detached bungalow
 - c. Terrace / town house
 - d. Flat / apartment
 - e. Other please give details_____
- 5. Please use the space below for any other comments you would like to make

Thank you for your participation.

Please return your consultation to the following address:

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The consultation will close on 26 June 2019. After this we will look at all of the responses and comments and write a report for the Executive. They will use this report to help them make a decision in September about which option they want to go ahead with.