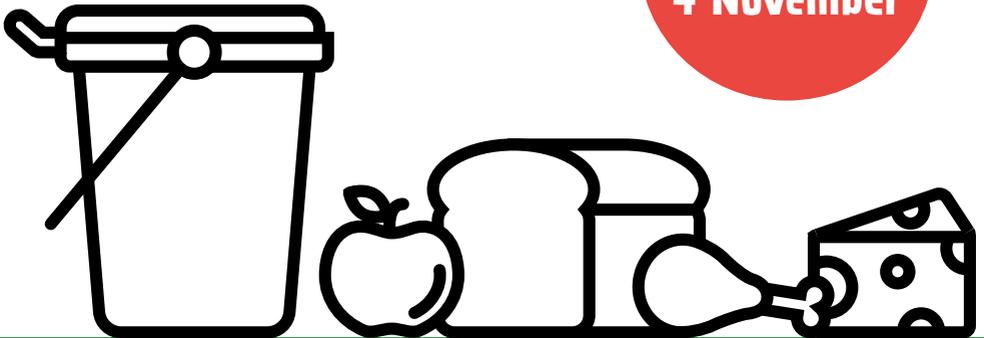


FOOD RECYCLING

Your new food waste recycling service

Starts week
of Monday
4 November



 Westminster recycles



City of Westminster

From the week starting **Monday 4 November**, we will start collecting food waste from your estate to be recycled.

Why are we doing this?



Wasting less

Around 30% of the rubbish we throw away in Westminster is food waste. Using the new service, all your food waste can be recycled!



Renewable energy

Food waste will be sent to a plant in Hertfordshire to generate renewable energy.



Biofertiliser

The plant will use the food waste to produce biogas (used to generate electricity and heat) and biofertiliser which will be used on farmland.

Your new food waste containers

You will receive the following over the next few days:

KITCHEN BIN



LINERS



*OUTSIDE FOOD BIN



*Outside food bins will be installed on your estate for residents to use communally.

Using your food waste recycling service

1. Line your kitchen bin with one of the special liners provided by us and put your food waste in it.



2. Whenever you need to empty your kitchen bin, tie the top of the liner and remove from your kitchen bin.



3. Take your food waste in a liner to your nearest outside food bin on your estate. Lift the lid and put the liner filled with food waste inside the bin.



Food recycling facts



Six recycled tea bags could produce enough electricity to boil a kettle for another cuppa.



Just one kitchen bin of food waste generates enough electricity to power a light bulb for more than 24 hours.



One truck-load of food waste can generate enough electricity to power 20,000 TVs for one hour.



If you have any questions, please contact us at:
foodwaste@westminster.gov.uk

What can I put in my kitchen bin?

YES PLEASE



Plate scrapings

- ✓ All uneaten food and plate scrapings



Dairy

- ✓ Dairy products, cheese, eggs



Bread and pastries

- ✓ Bread, cake, pastries



Meat and bones

- ✓ Raw meat, cooked meat, bones



Tea bags and coffee grounds

- ✓ Tea bags, coffee grounds



Fruit and vegetables

- ✓ Raw vegetables, cooked vegetables, whole fruit, peelings



Fish

- ✓ Raw fish, cooked fish, bones



Rice, pasta and beans

- ✓ Rice, pasta, beans

You can put mouldy food in your kitchen bin. **Please remove any packaging before putting food in the kitchen bin.**

NO THANKS



Packaging of any kind



Liquids such as milk



Oil or liquid fat



Plastic bags



Garden waste



Any material that is not food waste



For further information:
westminster.gov.uk/food-waste-recycling

Questions?



What if I don't produce any food waste?

Remember there is **no amount too small**. For example, **banana skins, tea bags and plate scrapings** can all be put in your kitchen bin to be recycled!



I don't have time to do this – why should I?

It's important we all try to reduce the amount of food waste we throw away: by sorting it for recycling we can turn it into electricity for homes and fertiliser for farmers. Besides, it's really **easy**; all you need to do is follow the instructions in this leaflet.



I don't have space for the kitchen bin, what should I do?

The kitchen bin is only 7 litres in size and is designed to be kept on a kitchen work surface or under the sink.



How do I get more liners?

Please email us directly for more liners at foodwaste@westminster.gov.uk



Will the food in my bin smell?

No, food waste is collected at least **twice a week**, so it will not smell. Don't forget to **empty** your kitchen bin **regularly** into the outside food bin on your estate and to tie your liners.

Mixed recycling

Please only put the following into your estate's mixed recycling bins:



Rubbish

Please put the following in your estate's rubbish chutes and rubbish bins:

