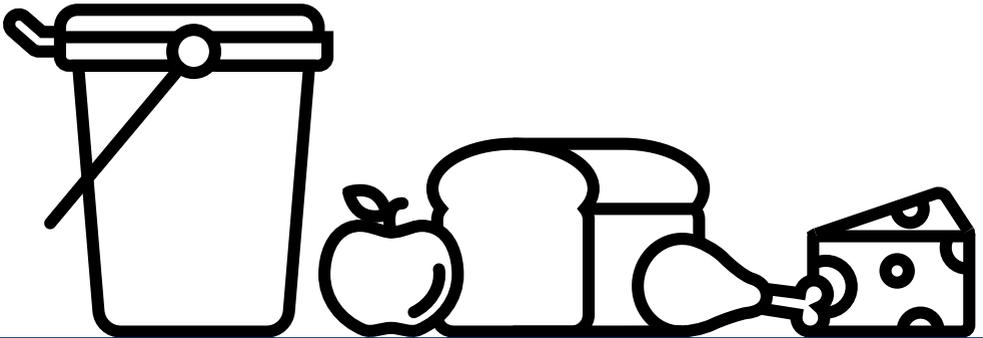


FOOD RECYCLING

Your new food waste recycling service

Starts
during
2022



 Westminster
recycles

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Welcome

Dear resident,

I'm excited that Westminster City Council is introducing food waste recycling across the City.

The service began as a trial in 2019, and has proven hugely popular with residents taking part. About 30% of the waste we create in Westminster comes from food, and food waste generates harmful emissions that contribute to climate change. By making use of this service, our residents can play an important role in improving our impact on the environment.

Alongside your new food waste collection, you may see some changes to your normal waste collections to make the whole service more efficient.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with our recycling team on foodwaste@westminster.gov.uk and they will be happy to help.

I hope you enjoy your new food waste recycling service!

Cllr James Spencer
Cabinet Member for
City Management

What is changing?

Food waste recycling

We are introducing a food waste recycling service for your building or estate.

You will receive

You will receive a special bin and a roll of liners to use just for your food waste.

When is it changing?

The new service will begin **during 2022**. You will receive new bins, a roll of food waste liners and more information about how to use the service before it starts.

Why is it changing?

Food waste recycling is an important part of increasing the amount of waste we recycle, which reduces our impact on the environment and helps to tackle climate change.

Food recycling facts



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



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



Why are we doing this?



Wasting less

Around 30% of the rubbish we throw away in Westminster is food, and food waste generates harmful greenhouse gas emissions. Using this service will help reduce waste and tackle climate change.



Renewable energy

Your food waste will be sent to a plant outside London 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

Before the service begins, we'll deliver a kitchen bin for your food waste and a roll of liners to use in your kitchen bin and we may visit your property to explain how to use this new service.

KITCHEN BIN



LINERS



OUTDOOR FOOD BIN



Each household will have their own indoor kitchen bin. You will then need to empty your securely tied liner into your building's communal food bin. Please go to our webpage for further information: [westminster.gov.uk/food-waste-recycling](https://www.westminster.gov.uk/food-waste-recycling) or 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



**Meat and
bones**

- ✓ Raw meat, cooked meat, bones



Fish

- ✓ Raw fish, cooked fish, bones



Dairy

- ✓ Dairy products, cheese, eggs (including egg shells)



**Tea bags
and coffee
grounds**

- ✓ Tea bags, coffee grounds



**Rice, pasta
and beans**

- ✓ Rice, pasta, beans



**Bread and
pastries**

- ✓ Bread, cake, pastries



**Fruit and
vegetables**

- ✓ Raw/cooked vegetables, whole fruit, peelings

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 (including
compostable packaging)**



**Plastic
bags**



**Liquids such
as milk**



**Flowers
or garden
waste**



**Oil or
liquid fat**



**Any item
that is not
food waste**

For further information:



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www.westminster.gov.uk/food-waste-recycling



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