

## Collection Service

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## Tips for managing and reducing your waste

Save space in your grey bin by recycling all of the items below in your blue lidded bin or recycling box:



- ✓ Paper (clean and dry)
- ✓ Card and cardboard (clean and dry)
- ✓ Tins and cans (empty and rinsed)
- ✓ Glass jars, with or without lids (empty and rinsed)
- ✓ Glass bottles, with or without metal lids (empty and rinsed), no corks
- ✓ Plastic milk bottles, with or without lids (empty and rinsed)
- ✓ All plastic drinks bottles, with or without lids (empty and rinsed)
- ✓ Plastic pots, tubs and trays (empty and rinsed)
- ✓ Toiletry bottles e.g. shampoo, shower gel, etc. (empty and rinsed where possible)
- ✓ Household cleaner bottles including trigger sprays e.g. bathroom cleaners, bleach, etc. (empty and rinsed where possible)
- ✓ Clean foil and foil trays
- ✓ Empty aerosol cans (no spray paint)
- ✓ Tetra Pak and cartons (empty and rinsed)
- ✓ Household batteries (bagged)
- ✓ Small electrical items (small enough to fit in a standard sized carrier bag)
- ✓ Textiles (bagged)

Did you know you can take the items below to a recycling collection point?



- Plastic film
- Crisp and snack packaging
- Printer and toner cartridges
- Plastic bags
- Light bulbs

Visit [www.recyclenow.com](http://www.recyclenow.com) to find your nearest recycling point

Why not switch to re usable items?  
Swap suggestions below:

- Disposable nappies for reusable, washable nappies
- Disposable cotton wool pads for re usable, washable cotton pads
- Disposable sanitary items for reusable, washable sanitary items
- Disposable, single use cleaning wipes for reusable, washable cleaning cloths
- Cling film for beeswax wraps and reusable pot covers
- Single use plastic straws for re useable, washable straws




Donate or sell usable items such as:

- Clothing and shoes
- Crockery and glassware
- Electrical and household goods
- Video games, blu-rays, DVDs and CDs


## Further ways to reduce your waste:

- ✓ Compost at home – visit [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/composting](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/composting) for top tips and compost bins offers.
- ✓ Use washable nappies instead of disposables – visit [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/cottonnappies](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/cottonnappies) for further information.
- ✓ Reduce food waste – visit [www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com) for top tips on reducing food waste and saving money.
- ✓ Reuse and repair clothing – visit [www.loveyourclothes.org.uk](http://www.loveyourclothes.org.uk) for simple care tips to keep your clothes looking great and what to do when you've finished with them.
- ✓ Reduce and reuse plastics – visit [www.clearonplastics.com](http://www.clearonplastics.com) for information on plastics and how to reduce the amount you use.

## Stop your bins from smelling:

- The main cause of smells is food waste. The separate weekly food waste collection will help remove any smelly waste from refuse bins and give you more space for other rubbish. 
- If you have items such as disposable nappies or pet waste, bag them before putting them in your grey bin. Make sure that there is no air in the bag, this will save space in your grey bin and the lack of air will slow down general decomposition and reduce smells. 
- Rinse recycling where possible to stop your blue lidded bin from smelling. 
- Regularly wash your indoor caddy and outdoor food bin with hot soapy water. You can even pop them in your dishwasher! 
- Store your bins in a shady spot if possible.

## Pet waste:

- If possible, keep bagged dog waste in a separate lidded container and then put it in your grey bin just before collection. 
- Remove solids and clumped litter from cat litter trays and bag it. If possible, keep bagged cat litter in a separate lidded container and then put it in your grey bin just before collection.
- Bedding from non-meat eating pets can be put in your green bin if you subscribe to the Garden Waste Service.

For further information please visit:

[www.stratford.gov.uk/123](http://www.stratford.gov.uk/123)  
[www.warwickdc.gov.uk/123](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/123)

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