

HERE'S WHAT'S CHANGING...

New Black Wheeled Bin

Say goodbye to black bags on the street

This will be emptied every two weeks, alongside your green lidded garden waste bin.



Weekly Food Waste Collection

Collect all your food scraps easily in your smaller kitchen caddy. When it's full transfer this into your larger outdoor caddy. This will be emptied every week, helping turn food waste into power and fertiliser.

We're giving every household a year's supply of free kitchen caddy liners.



Extra benefits:

- ✓ Garden waste collection remains free, but from 1 June food waste will no longer be accepted in your green lidded bin: please use your new food waste caddy for all food scraps.
- ✓ You can now recycle plastic bags and films in your blue lidded bin. For more information on what these are, please see our website.

WHY IT'S CHANGING:

East Cambridgeshire residents are already some of the best recyclers in the country. To help meet government guidelines we're going greener, and cutting landfill waste further.

- About a third of black bag rubbish is food, which creates harmful greenhouse gases. The new weekly food waste service will help reduce emissions
- Collected food waste will be turned into bio gas to generate electricity and into bio fertiliser for farms
- Collecting more recycling means there's less rubbish, so black bins can now be emptied fortnightly

HERE TO HELP

Assisted bin collections

If no one in your household is able to move the bins, we can help. Please contact us or visit our website for details on our assisted collection service.

Requesting larger or additional bins

Your new black bin holds around three large bin bags of rubbish, which is suitable for most households. A larger bin may be provided if there is a clear need and certain criteria are met. To find out more, please visit: eastcamb.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling or call: 01353 665555



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please check your collection calendar or our website for your collection day and guidance on presenting your bins. Bins must be placed at the boundary of your property, where it meets the public highway, by 6.30am on your collection day.



Ensure the correct items go in the correct bin. **If the wrong materials are included, your bin may not be emptied.**

If you need further information about which items go in each bin, or would like more details about the new service, please visit our website.

YOUR WASTE AND RECYCLING UPGRADE



INTRODUCING YOUR BINS FULL OF BENEFITS

From 1 June 2026, your waste and recycling service is getting a big upgrade to help you reduce waste and recycle more.



FOOD WASTE

Your new caddy will be collected **WEEKLY** and will help you to recycle even more **FOOD** waste. It's the **HANDY** choice for a greener future!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

TIP
Use any bag to line your kitchen caddy

WEEKLY FOOD HANDY

⊗ No thanks:

- ⊗ Liquids and oils
- ⊗ Packaging
- ⊗ Garden waste
- ⊗ Pet waste
- ⊗ Nappies

✔ Yes please:

- Leftovers and plate scrapings
- Fruit and vegetables
- Eggs and dairy products
- Cooked and uncooked food waste
- Coffee grounds and tea bags
- Meat and bones
- Bread, pasta and rice



RECYCLING

REDUCE waste. Please continue to use the blue lidded bin for **RECYCLABLES**. You can now add **EXTRA**, such as plastic bags and film too. If you need another bin we'll send you one for free.

EVERY 2 WEEKS

**REDUCE
RECYCLE
EXTRA**

⊗ No thanks:

- ⊗ Food waste
- ⊗ Textiles
- ⊗ Crisp packets
- ⊗ Nappies and sanitary items
- ⊗ Batteries, vapes and electricals

REMEMBER TO WASH AND SQUASH!

✔ Yes please:

- Glass bottles and jars
- Food and drink cans
- Food and drink cartons
- Paper and flat cardboard
- Plastic bottles and containers
- Aerosols and foil
- Plastic film and bags

NEW
You can now add plastic film and bags



GARDEN WASTE

This bin is now **SIMPLER** – just for garden waste and it's still **FREE!** The **GREENER** choice for your waste.

EVERY 2 WEEKS

**SIMPLE
FREE
GREEN**

✔ Yes please:

- Grass and hedge cuttings
- Small branches
- Natural bedding from herbivorous pets
- Leaves and cut flowers
- Dead plants and weeds



⊗ No thanks:

- ⊗ Food waste
- ⊗ Soil and turf
- ⊗ Treated wood
- ⊗ Poisonous, diseased or invasive plants
- ⊗ Flowerpots
- ⊗ Cardboard
- ⊗ Stones or rubble

GENERAL WASTE

Your new wheeled bin is **EASY** to put out for collection and provides **CLEAN** and **TIDY** storage for your rubbish.

EVERY 2 WEEKS

**EASY
CLEAN
TIDY**

⊗ No thanks:

- ⊗ Food waste
- ⊗ Dry recycling
- ⊗ Batteries, vapes and electricals
- ⊗ Rubbish next to the bin
- ⊗ Textiles
- ⊗ Bulky waste

✔ Yes please:

- Food pouches and crisp wrappers
- Polystyrene
- Nappies and sanitary items
- Pet waste
- Tissues
- Broken crockery and Pyrex

