

# Your recycling and rubbish service

**NEW  
INFORMATION  
LEAFLET**



# RECYCLING

Use for **GLASS, PLASTIC, PAPER and CARD, CANS, FOIL, CARTONS and AEROSOLS.**

**Empty** and **rinse** all containers before putting them into the bin.

**Remove film lids** from plastic pots, tubs and trays and put them in the rubbish.

**Do not use black sacks.** However, you can keep your recycling in a plastic carrier bag and put the whole bag into the recycling bin.



## YES PLEASE



Plastic bottles, tubs, trays and containers



Glass jars and bottles



Tins, cans, clean foil and aerosols



Clean, dry paper and card



Tetra Pak and cartons

## NO THANKS



Black bags



Food waste



Textiles



Nappies



Plastic film from food containers and crisp packets



**If in doubt, leave it out of the recycling bin**

# FOOD RECYCLING

Use for **ALL FOOD WASTE** including **PEELINGS, EGG SHELLS, BONES** and **PLATE SCRAPINGS**

Islington Council recycles food waste to turn it into **electricity** or **compost**. We provide food waste containers and compostable liners for free.

**Line your kitchen caddy with a compostable liner** and put your food waste in it.

When you need to empty your caddy, **tie the top of the liner** and put it in the outside food bin.



## YES PLEASE



**Fish, meat  
and bones**



**Leftovers and  
plate scrapings**



**Bread, rice  
and pasta**



**Fruit and veg  
peelings**



**Teabags and coffee  
grounds**

## NO THANKS



**Packaging of  
any kind**



**Liquids such as  
milk or oil**



**Plastic bags**



**Garden waste**



**Pet waste**



To order a kitchen caddy or to find out where to pick up compostable liners, visit:  
**[islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish](https://www.islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish)**

# GARDEN WASTE

**Use for ALL GARDEN WASTE including GRASS CLIPPINGS, GARDEN WEEDS, LEAVES, TWIGS, HEDGE TRIMMINGS**

Islington Council recycles garden waste to turn it into **compost**. We provide reusable garden waste bags for free.

To recycle your garden waste put it loose in your garden waste bag and place it out with the rest of your recycling on your collection day.

When you have more garden waste than can fit in your garden waste bags use any open sack or bag and place it along your council issued bags.



## YES PLEASE



**Grass clippings and leaves**

**Tree branches (small)**

**Garden weeds**

**Plants and prunings**

**Hedge trimmings**

## NO THANKS



**Plastic plants, pots or bags or packaging of any kind**

**Food waste**

**Soil**

**Tree branches (large) or timber**

**Bricks and rubble**



To order a garden waste bag, visit:  
**[islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish](https://www.islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish)**

# LARGE ITEMS

## Use for FURNITURE, MATTRESSES, FRIDGES or other LARGE ITEMS

You can donate unwanted but reusable household and electrical goods to be collected by other organisations from your address. This is a free service. Please visit **[islington.gov.uk/bulkywaste](http://islington.gov.uk/bulkywaste)** to find out more.

You can use our bulky collection service to get rid of large items.

This is a chargeable service. Visit **[www.islington.gov.uk/bulkywaste](http://www.islington.gov.uk/bulkywaste)** or call **020 7527 2000** to find out more about what we can collect, the costs and how to book a collection.

				
furniture	white goods	mattresses	bikes	computers & televisions
				
beds	electricals	sofa	wood	wardrobes



For a complete list of what can and can't be recycled, visit:  
**[www.islington.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.islington.gov.uk/recycling)**

# RUBBISH

**ONLY use for WHAT CAN'T BE RECYCLED**

Please only dispose of **items that cannot be recycled** using your rubbish bin or black sack.

The more you recycle, the less you will need to put into this bin.

For tips on how to recycle more, visit:  
[www.recycleforlondon.com](http://www.recycleforlondon.com)



## YES PLEASE



**Nappies**



**Used tissues  
and baby wipes**



**Plastic film from  
food containers**



**Polystyrene**



**Crisp packets**

## NO THANKS



**Plastic bottles,  
tubs, trays and  
containers**



**Glass jars and  
bottles**



**Tins, cans, clean foil  
and aerosols**



**Clean, dry paper  
and card**



**Tetra Pak and  
cartons**

# Did you know?



## Clothes and textiles

There are clothes banks located around the borough for getting rid of unwanted clothes and other textiles. Alternatively, take unwanted clothes to your local charity shop.



## Batteries

Household batteries can be recycled at most local shops or your nearest supermarket.



## Hazardous household waste

To find out how to get rid of waste such as asbestos or chemicals, as well as paint, pesticides, bleach etc., please visit: [www.islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish/hazardous-household-waste](http://www.islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish/hazardous-household-waste)



## Household electrical items for recycling

Please visit [islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish/recycling/recycling-electricals](http://www.islington.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish/recycling/recycling-electricals)



## Re-use and recycling centre

If you want to get rid of small electrical items, bicycles or other things which could be re-used, you can visit the Re-use and Recycling Centre at 40 Hornsey Street, N7 8HU. Tel: **020 8884 5645**.

### Opening times:

- Monday to Saturday  
8am to 8pm
- Sundays (and Bank Holidays) 8.30am to 8pm
- Closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day

**Please note that if you're bringing a van you must give 24 hours notice.**

**There is a pedestrian drop off point at the security gate at the Hornsey Street entrance, available during opening hours only.**

# Recycling in houses

Islington provides recycling, food and garden waste containers so residents living in houses can recycle.

Please make sure you **put the right thing in the right bin**. Follow the instructions in this leaflet to see whether what you are throwing away can be recycled instead.



## The benefits

### Saving energy

Recycling helps to prevent climate change and environmental degradation, it saves energy and helps us transform existing items into something new.

### Increasing recycling

The council recycles over 31% of its waste but we need to do more!

### Making savings

Recycling is a cheaper way to treat our waste than landfill or incineration, and helps save money that can be spent on other important council services.

# 31%

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