

# Recycle More Messenger

**Edition 2, 11 January 2022**

**Welcome** to the second Sedgemoor and West Somerset **Recycle More Messenger**. The new service is due to launch to around 70,000 households at the end of February. We will let you know if this changes. Recycle More is an important development that means doing things differently and you can play a key role in raising awareness and understanding.

## Get ready by boxing clever

Recycle More works best if you make full use of weekly recycling collections. Make sure you have all the containers you need.

If you don't already recycle food waste, now is a great time to start.

Everyone can have green and black recycling boxes and food waste bins. New or replacement containers can be ordered **FREE** using the My Waste Services feature at **[www.somersetwaste.gov.uk](http://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk)**

## Info on your doorstep

Everyone will be written to twice before things change, at six weeks and three weeks before Recycle More launches.

The first leaflet should arrive in mid-Jan. It looks like this and introduces the new service, timescales and how to prepare.



A second leaflet is due in early Feb. It will include a guide to recycling with the new service and an individual collection day calendar of recycling and rubbish collections for the coming year.



## Recycle More Q&As

We are running several out of hours Facebook "Q&A Days" about Recycle More where we will field any questions about the new service.

**They will run from 7am to 7pm.** Please join in and promote them in your communities and with colleagues, family and friends.

To take part, just visit the Facebook page **@somersetwaste** and post questions as comments on the Q&A day post. The first session took place this week and there are more to follow:

- Wednesday 26 January.
- Friday 18 February.
- Wednesday 14 March.

## Keep recycling sites in your sights

Until Recycle More starts, please continue to make full use of recycling sites in Bridgwater, Cheddar, Dulverton, Highbridge and Minehead. They already accept the new materials.

Please don't stockpile material ahead of the new collections. It's important that the new service isn't inundated when it first starts.

## A reminder of what's changing



- **Added to weekly collections:**
  - Plastic pots, tubs and trays
  - Food and drink cartons
  - Small household electricals
  - Small household batteries
- **New recycling container**—a Bright Blue Bag—delivered to all homes.
- **Rubbish collected every three weeks**—as more recycling is collected every week.
- **Collection day changes**—for around a third of households.

**Garden and clinical waste collections** are unaffected. **Assisted collections** continue on new collection days.

Where possible, recycling will also be improved for homes with shared or communal collections—for example flats, homes or multiple occupancy.

What is possible will depend on space and access at each site. These improvements will come later in the year at a date to be confirmed.

Recycle More  
**Q&A Day**



**Wednesday**  
**26 January**  
**7am-7pm**

**Friday**  
**18 February**  
**7am-7pm**

**Wednesday**  
**16 March**  
**7am-7pm**