

February 2022

Dear Resident

YOUR RECYCLING COLLECTIONS ARE CHANGING

Following the successful implementation of new recycling collections in North Kesteven and Boston Borough Councils we are writing to advise you of the changes that will now take place across West Lindsey.

Recycling changes

From the middle of April 2022 we will be collecting your paper and cardboard separately from the rest of your recycling. This is because we want to help you recycle as much of your waste as possible, and reduce the carbon footprint. Over 12.5 million tonnes of paper and cardboard are used in the UK each year. This accounts for 20% of all household waste produced in the UK, with the average family throwing away around 6 trees worth of paper every year. If every person in the country recycled just 10% more paper it would save approximately 5 million trees each year.

You currently put your paper and cardboard in your blue recycling bin, but because it is mixed with other materials (plastic, glass and metals) it often gets contaminated with small amounts of food waste or liquid left in tins/containers, or broken glass. This makes it almost impossible to recycle efficiently.

This is why we will soon be collecting your paper and cardboard in a separate (purple-lidded) bin from the rest of your recycling. The clean, dry paper and cardboard will then be sent directly to a dedicated paper mill who will recycle this into paper-based products.



We want to make this as easy for you as possible, so you will soon have a new purple-lidded bin delivered to your normal bin collection point. This will take place between Monday 7 March and Friday 1 April 2022. When your bin is delivered, please make sure that you place your new bin with your other bins, we would also advise residents to put their house name or number on their new bin.

In future, we will be **not collect your bins if you put incorrect items in them**. We need to do this to ensure that as much of the waste you have carefully separated for recycling, is actually recycled, we will be working really hard with residents to make sure that you continue to recycle all that you can in the most simple and easiest way. Enclosed with this letter is a new simple guide leaflet on what to do with your waste and recycling at home – Right Thing, Right Bin. If you put anything other than these items in your blue recycling or purple-lidded bins we will not empty your bin(s). In addition, from Monday 18th April 2022 we will no longer accept side waste alongside any of your bins. All waste must be placed inside the correct bin as shown on the enclosed leaflet.



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You can keep putting your paper and cardboard in your blue lidded bin until the dates shown below:

When to start using your new purple lidded bin

If your blue bin is emptied on:	Date to start putting paper and cardboard into your purple-lidded bin	Date of first collection of your purple-lidded bin
Monday 4 April	Tuesday 5 April	Monday 18 April
Tuesday 5 April	Wednesday 6 April	Tuesday 19 April
Wednesday 6 April	Thursday 7 April	Wednesday 20 April
Thursday 7 April	Friday 8 April	Thursday 21 April
Friday 8 April	Saturday 9 April	Friday 22 April
Monday 11 April	Tuesday 12 April	Monday 25 April
Tuesday 12 April	Wednesday 13 April	Tuesday 26 April
Wednesday 13 April	Thursday 14 April	Wednesday 27 April
Thursday 14 April	Friday 15 April	Thursday 28 April
Friday 15 April	Saturday 16 April	Friday 29 April

You should already have received this year's collection calendar, delivered to households in January which is coloured coded to show you the dates on which you should present your bins. Collection details can also be found on our website at www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/mybinday. Please ensure that all your waste is correctly presented inside the correct bin and put at the kerbside by 7am on your collection day.

We all need to do everything we can to help our environment by reducing the amount of waste we produce, and reusing items where we can. Please visit www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/recycling for information on how to cut down on the waste you produce.

Additional waste, such as following a house move, can also be taken to any Household Waste Recycling Centre across the County, information about these can be found at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/recycling-waste/find-recycling-centre or by telephone 01522 782070.

Frequently Asked Questions

Answers to frequently asked questions can be found on our website at www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/recycling

Other Waste Collections:

Please be assured that all other waste collection arrangements will continue as normal.

Thank you for helping West Lindsey District Council to recycle your waste effectively.

Yours faithfully

Operational Services Team