



NEW RECYCLING SERVICE COMING SOON WE ARE IMPROVING YOUR SERVICE

We have introduced two new separate communal bins for your recycling.

One for paper and cardboard and the other for plastics and cans. These replace your pink sack communal bin. These improvements help you to recycle more and help us create a cleaner borough.



Basildon Council



PAPER AND CARDBOARD WEEKLY COLLECTION

How to use your paper and cardboard communal bin

- 1 Place the paper and card loose and directly into the **BLUE** bin - not in plastic bags.
- 2 Please try to keep items dry where possible and flattened down.

What items are accepted?

Yes please: Paper, magazines, newspapers, cardboard packaging, eggboxes, envelopes and shredded paper.

No thanks: Non-recyclable plastic and metal packaging such as crisp packets, polystyrene and cat food pouches.



PLASTIC AND CANS WEEKLY COLLECTION

How to use your plastic and cans communal bin

- 1 Place the specified materials loose and directly into the **GREY** wheeled bin, with red lid - not in plastic bags.
- 2 Make sure all items are rinsed of food or drink traces and squashed down.

What items are accepted?

Yes please: Recyclable plastic bottles, pots, tubs, trays, containers, film, cartons, metal food and drink cans/tins, aerosol cans, tin foil, and tetrapak (food and drink cartons).

No thanks: Non-recyclable plastic and metal packaging such as crisp packets, polystyrene and call food pouches.



YOUR KERBSIDE TEXTILES SERVICE

Collection of textiles (reusable clothing, shoes and bedding) will now be operated through Essex Textiles, who will provide blue bags to residents directly through your door free of charge.

Go to www.basildon.gov.uk/textiles or scan the QR Code to order your sacks and arrange collection. Collections from flats must be directly arranged with Essex Textiles.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Why is your service changing?

By separating our recyclable items, and eliminating the need for single-use pink plastic bags, the quality of the material being sent for recycling improves and means less sorting by processors which helps to drive up the value of the material. By improving our recycling efforts, it helps us to move towards a cleaner, more sustainable borough.

What if the new communal bins are installed prior to service starting?

The new service starts **Monday 27 November 2023**. You can continue to separate your items into the bins but they may be collected together until we have the new service underway. It will be good practice to start separating your recyclable items.

How will I transport my recycling to the communal bins?

You will receive a green reusable sack to help you transport your recyclable items to your communal bins.

Does this change affect non-recyclable bin collections?

Your communal bin for non-recyclable items will still be collected weekly, although the collection day may change.



If you would like to find out more information about our new waste and recycling service, please go to our website or scan the QR Code.





Powering the future with food recycling

When you recycle food in your kerbside caddy, it is collected by your local council, taken for processing and turned into fertiliser and energy!



Find out how to recycle your food at home by visiting [lovesessex.org/food-recycling](https://www.lovesessex.org/food-recycling) or scan the **QR code** using your smartphone's camera

Together we can make a difference

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Essex County, District,
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