

Rubbish & Recycling in Exeter

the facts

What you need to know...



How are we doing?

Last year, with your help, we recycled over 12,500 tonnes of material, which saved £1.2 million by not sending waste to landfill. **Thank you.**

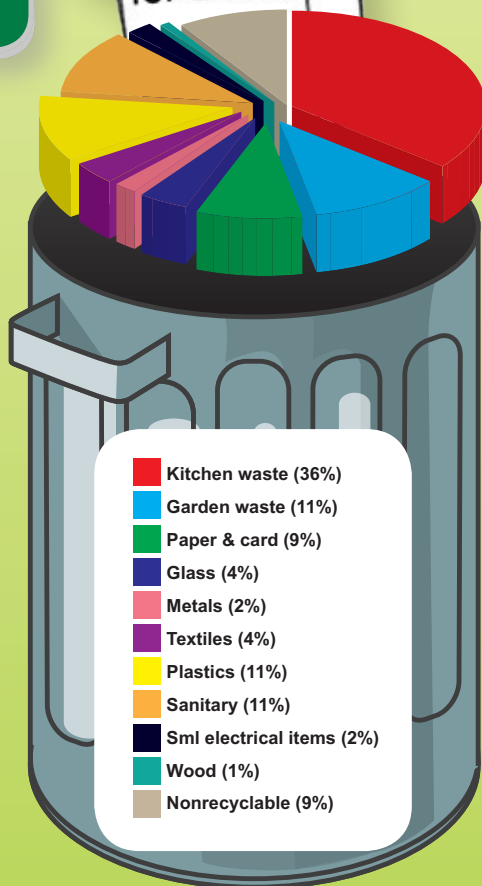
Last year we sent just over 21,000 tonnes of general waste generated by residents of Exeter to landfill, at a cost of just over £2million.

Sorting your waste for recycling reduces the amount sent to landfill; this allows more resources to be spent on essential Council services.

How could you recycle more?

This leaflet is designed to give you information to help you recycle as much of your household rubbish as possible. Did you know that 62% of a typical Exeter rubbish bin can be recycled or composted? Recycle for Exeter... others do!

A typical general rubbish bin in Exeter is made up of the following materials, many of which are recyclable...



www.exeter.gov.uk/recycling

email: wastecollections@exeter.gov.uk

or phone **01392 665010** for more information



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What can I recycle?

Recycling in Exeter is simple: We want all household packaging; it just needs to be clean, dry and placed loose in the bin.

The exceptions are:

- **Polystyrene** – rubbish bin please
- **Glass** – use recycling banks
- **Textiles** – please take to charity shops or clothing bank

If you are in doubt, here is the list of things that we can recycle from your green container:

A to Z list

- **Aerosols** (empty)
- **Cardboard packaging and boxes**
- **Catalogues**
- **Drink and food cans**
- **Empty plastic bags**
- **Envelopes**
- **Foil**
- **Junk mail**
- **Magazines**
- **Newspapers**
- **Paper**
- **Phone books**
- **All plastic bottles** (lids on) and tubs



All items must be clean, dry & loose



No textiles in the bin

What goes in my rubbish bin?

Anything that cannot be recycled by using the green container, including:

Bathroom waste, nappies, food, polystyrene, dirty paper, cat litter, broken small household items.

Please note: Garden waste must not be put in the grey bin. The Council provides a chargeable service for the collection of garden waste, please see garden waste section.

How do I recycle my glass?

Glass recycling banks are located all over the city, and are designed to be within walking distance from all homes.

To find your nearest one visit

www.exeter.gov.uk/recyclingbanks



Bathroom waste



Broken household items



Food waste



Dirty nappies



Polystyrene packaging



Dirty paper



No
Scrap
Metal

Help us to help you

For the Council to provide an efficient, reliable service please familiarise yourself with the following information.

Collection times:

Please ensure waste is put out after 6.00pm on the evening before collection, but before 6.00am on the morning of collection.



Collection location:

The normal collection point in Exeter is the front boundary of your property. In some cases we collect from a bin store or back gate if there is no road access at the front. To check your collection point go to www.exeter.gov.uk/bincollections or contact **01392 665010**.

What will be collected?

Rubbish will be collected in a wheeled bin, black bags or from seagull bags depending on the space available at your property. Additional waste will not be collected.

Recycling will be collected in a wheeled bin, recycling box or clear sacks depending on the space available at your property. Additional recycling will be collected if presented in bags clearly labelled 'RECYCLING', with the first line of your address.

Reporting a collection missed by the Council

Please report a missed collection before midnight the following day at www.exeter.gov.uk/missedbin after this period we will not be able to return for a genuinely missed bin.

Report by phone: 01392 665010

Waste management policies:

If you would like to find out more about what service to expect from the Council and what is expected of you please visit www.exeter.gov.uk/wastepolicies

Recycling centres – run by Devon County Council

To recycle/dispose of bulky household waste visit:

- Pinbrook Road, Pinhoe, EX4 8HH
- Exton Road, Marsh Barton, EX2 8LX

www.devon.gov.uk/recyclingcentres

Tel: 0845 1551010. Open 7 days a week.

Bad weather information or disruption to collections

If collections are suspended due to unforeseen reasons, they will resume as soon as possible.

In the case of collections not made on scheduled collection days, please take your waste back onto your property until the next planned collection date.

For up to date information on what roads we can not collect from, please visit www.exeter.gov.uk/snow

Know your bins!

The Council has a range of rubbish and recycling containers for use by residents. To order new or replacement containers, (a charge will be applied for wheeled bins) or to return an unwanted one please call **01392 665010**.



DO NOT put needles or infectious clinical items in with the recycling or general rubbish.

This type of clinical waste **MUST** be collected by the FREE, discreet, clinical waste service.



For more information visit **www.exeter.gov.uk/clinicalwaste** or to book a free clinical collection call **01392 665010**.

Garden waste

A chargeable Garden Waste collection service, and support for home composting, are the ways that the Council helps residents convert garden waste into soil improvers for gardens and allotments. Garden waste will not be collected with your ordinary rubbish. Garden waste can also be taken free of charge, to the recycling centres

The garden waste collection is a chargeable service, renewed every year, and is available to Exeter residents to dispose of garden waste only. The fortnightly service runs from February to the end of November each year. Garden waste is taken to a local processor and converted into compost.

A range of composters and wormeries can be purchased from Council offices in Paris St at cost price. Contact 01392 665010 to join.



Re-usable cloth nappies

In the UK, over eight million disposable nappies are thrown into landfill each day.

Please consider re-useable cloth nappies:

- **www.recycledevon.org/nappies**
- **www.goreal.org.uk**



Reuse – Turntable

Turntable is a charity that collects good quality, donated household items such as three-piece suites, beds, wardrobes, electrical white goods etc to pass on to families and individuals on very low incomes.

To donate email **info@turntable.org.uk** or phone **01392 202032**.

Useful information:

Household chemicals

Labelled pesticides

White spirit

Bleach

Oil-based paint

please take to the Recycling Centre.

Batteries

Please take used batteries to recycling points in shops that sell batteries or to the Recycling Centre.

Unwanted or broken electrical equipment

Unwanted or broken electrical equipment is accepted at the Recycling Centres. If the item is still in working order, consider donating it to a reuse group, advertising it in a local free paper or on a reuse website such as Freecycle.

Don't let Devon go to waste



Where does my recycling go?

All the recyclable materials collected from the kerbside and recycling points in Exeter are taken to the council's site in Exton Road for sorting before being sold to reprocessors across the UK. Some companies will export the materials onto the world market and others will sell in to UK manufacturers.



King's Lynn, Norfolk

New newspaper



South Wales

Automotive industry



Warrington

New aluminium cans



Doncaster

New glass bottles and jars



West Country & China

Cardboard boxes



Dorset

Exported for re-use to Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe



Varied UK destinations

Building products eg pipes/garden furniture



Varied UK destinations

Plastic sacks and building materials



Varied UK Destinations

New bottles



Exeter

Compost



Mainland Europe

Paper products



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