

# Your Recycling & Waste Services



South Hams  
District Council

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**South Hams  
residents do  
well again**

**53%**

**of all household  
waste recycled &  
composted**

 **recycle** for the South Hams

# Recycling Collections

## How the service works

### Recycling sacks & brown bin collection week



Blue sacks



Clear sacks



Brown bin

### Grey bin collection week



Grey bin

**Put your containers at the kerbside by 7:00am**

Recycling and composting is collected one week and non-recyclable waste the next.

Waste which cannot be recycled or composted should be put in the grey bin.

**You can access collection information on the move using your mobile**



 **recycle** for the South Hams

 [www.southhams.gov.uk](http://www.southhams.gov.uk)

 [customer.services@southhams.gov.uk](mailto:customer.services@southhams.gov.uk)

 **01803 861199**



**South Hams  
District Council**

This information is also on our website. If you would like it in another format please call us on 01803 861234.

# What goes where?

## Your recycling sacks

Placing the correct items in the right sack generates more income and helps to keep council tax affordable

### Blue sack

- ✓ Newspapers and magazines
- ✓ Envelopes and cards
- ✓ Writing, shredded paper
- ✓ Books, Catalogues
- ✓ Cardboard packaging
- ✓ Corrugated card
- ✗ No drinks cartons



Large cardboard can be folded and placed beside the bag

mixed paper & card	newspapers & magazines
books & catalogues	corrugated cardboard

### Clear sack

- ✓ Plastic bottles only (any colour)
- ✓ Food tins and drink cans
- ✓ Empty aerosol cans and jar lids
- ✓ Clean aluminium foil
- ✗ No other plastics, including yogurt pots, plastic bags and wraps



These items can no longer be placed in the clear sack



Please rinse items and keep lids on plastic bottles

plastic bottles	food tins & drink cans
aerosols	foil

### Need more sacks?

- Display your yellow sticker on your recycling sack on collection day
- Order on our website
- Call 01803 861199
- Available from **most** town councils and the following outlets:
  - Follaton House, Totnes
  - Watermark Centre, Ivybridge
  - Tourist Information Centre, Salcombe
  - Community Centre, Woolwell

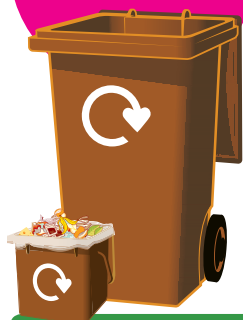
# What goes where?

## Your food & garden waste collections

Food and garden waste is composted in special facilities so that it can be used as a soil conditioner on local farmland

### Brown bin

Card can no longer be placed in the brown bin



- ✓ Any cooked or uncooked food waste, including meat, fish and vegetable peelings
- ✓ Garden waste - grass, hedge and plant cuttings, weeds, flowers, leaves and branches up to 10cm (4 inches) diameter
- ✗ No cardboard
- ✗ No plastics, soil or rubble

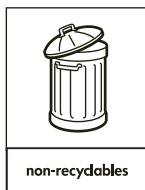
	
food waste	meat & bones
	
garden waste	fish

Please visit our website or call us to find outlets for compostable caddy liners, but remember wrapping food waste in newspaper is perfectly fine

### Grey bin



All other waste that you cannot recycle or compost.



Properties not suitable for bins will have seagull proof refuse sacks.



Did you know ...

on average **23%** of the grey bin is food waste. Please use the food waste service.

Don't forget the recycling banks and centres for your other materials

# Recycling banks in the South Hams



We can recycle all of these materials

					
glass bottles & jars	newspapers & magazines	mixed textiles & clothes	food tins & drink cans	books & catalogues	cartons

There are over 128 recycling banks right across the district which accept a range of items for recycling. For details of your nearest recycling banks and the materials which can be recycled there, please call us or visit our website.



# Recycling Centres

Unwanted household items such as electrical goods, furniture, carpets and batteries can be taken to your local recycling centre.

**Totnes** – Babbage Road Industrial Estate, TQ9 5JA

**Ivybridge** – Ermington Road, PL21 9EY

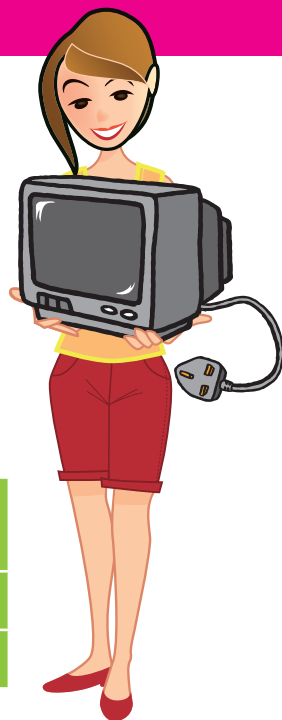
**Kingsbridge** – Torr Quarry Industrial Estate, TQ9 7QQ

## Opening Hours

	Summer (April - September)	Winter (October - March)
Mon - Fri	9:00am - 5:00pm	9:00am - 4:30pm
Sat & Sun	10:00am - 6:00pm	10:00am - 4:30pm

Please note that these may be subject to change.

For further information about recycling centres please contact Devon County Council on 03451 551010 or visit [www.recycledevon.org](http://www.recycledevon.org)



## What happens to my recycling?



**Steel cans** → Port Talbot → automotive industry



**Newspapers, magazines** → Aylesford  
→ newsprint



**Plastic bottles** → Environment Agency-  
approved markets, usually within the UK  
→ street furniture



**Textiles** → Sherborne →  
sort/reuse in developing nations



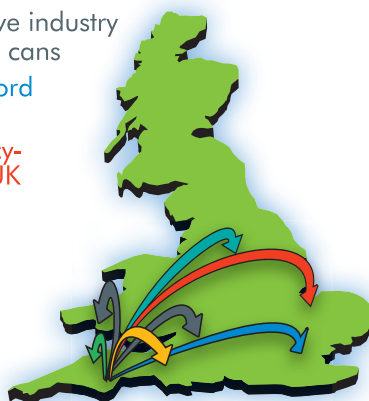
**Glass** → Nottingham → new bottles



**Card** → Aylesford → newsprint



**Food and garden** → Devon → compost on farm & landscaping



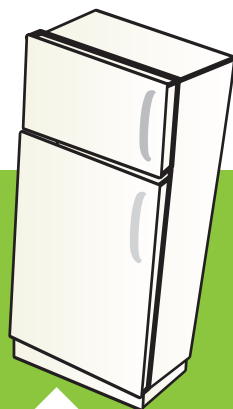
# Other waste services

## Bulky waste collection

Bulky furniture can be disposed of free of charge at recycling centres. If you have unwanted furniture or electrical items that you can't put in your bin but are suitable for reuse, contact **ReFurnish Devon** who can arrange a **FREE** collection. Items are tested, repaired and sold on at affordable prices to local people.

For more information please contact **ReFurnish Devon** on **01364 73246** or visit **[www.refurnish.org.uk](http://www.refurnish.org.uk)**

If items are not fit for reuse, bulky household waste which can be safely moved by one person can be collected by the Council for a charge. Please contact us on **01803 861199**.



If you are buying large electrical items, check with the store to see if they can take your old one away at the same time. You may even be able to arrange a part-exchange.

## Clinical Waste

For waste linked to medical requirements please contact us for further information.



## Second / holiday homes

If domestic collections are not suitable please call **01803 861256**.

## Commercial Waste

Commercial Waste Services works with the business community to deliver recycling and waste solutions throughout the district at an affordable price. For further information contact us at **[commercial.waste@southhams.gov.uk](mailto:commercial.waste@southhams.gov.uk)** or call **01803 861256**.



# Reducing waste

## Did you know ...

The average family with children throws away almost £60 of food per month.

To waste less food and save money visit

**[www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com)**

If you have a smartphone try the app!

LOVE  
FOOD  
hate waste



## Home composting

Composting at home using a bin or heap is the best option for the environment and the garden. For more information on how to start composting or to buy a discounted compost bin contact us or visit our website.

Call us to find out more about community composting

**£15**

Collected from Council offices

**£18**

delivered

## Nappies

Modern washable nappies are cheaper than 'disposables' and come in bright, funky designs without pins. Remember, a nappy is disposed of in a Devon landfill site every 1.1 seconds.

Real nappy trial kits can be borrowed **free** of charge for up to a month, so that you can try lots of different styles before investing in your own. For information call **0800 3288175** or visit **[www.recycledevon.org/nappies](http://www.recycledevon.org/nappies)**



**Don't let Devon go to waste**