

When will the bins be collected?

The recycling bins will be collected fortnightly with the grey refuse bins collected weekly.

Where can I take my other waste eg plastic bottles and cardboard?

There are many plastic bottle recycling banks situated throughout the district. Other materials eg cardboard can be taken to one of the Household Waste Recycling Centres- visit www.wasteaware.org.uk or call **08457 425 000** for details.

We all need to reduce the amount of waste we produce. North Herts residents have reduced the amount of waste sent to landfill by over 800 tonnes a month since October 2007. This has been achieved by your efforts to recycle more and reduce your waste including buying products with less packaging, switching to reusable nappies and buying fewer disposable items. We hope this achievement will continue to improve if all flats' residents fully participate using the new recycling facilities. For more tips on how to reduce your waste and where to recycle other items please visit our website.

Bulky items

If you have any furniture items which you need to dispose of, the charity 'Furniture Link' can collect these, refurbish them and sell on to low income families. Furniture Link can be contacted on 01462 683800.

If you have bulky items e.g. fridges, freezers or other items which can not be reused by a charity please contact us on 0800 3286023 to arrange a bulky item collection (this is a chargeable service).

No general waste must be dumped in the bin stores, removal of this will be charged to your landlords and classed as fly tipping for which you may be prosecuted under the Environmental Protection Act. Any costs may be passed onto tenants.

If you are unsure about what you can recycle and where please contact us.

www.north-herts.gov.uk

Waste and recycling enquiries:

01462 474 000

Collection enquiries:

0800 328 6023

For more information or to

obtain this information in

another language or Braille

call **01462 474000** or visit

www.north-herts.gov.uk

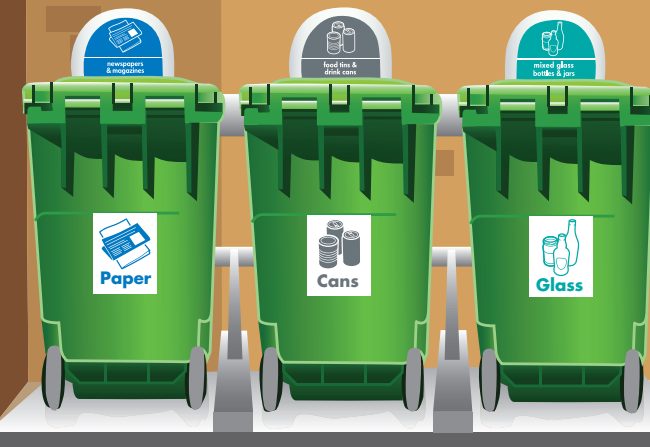
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RECYCLING FOR FLATS

A GUIDE TO YOUR RECYCLING SERVICE

We are introducing new recycling bins into your blocks of flats so it is easier for you to recycle paper, glass and cans.



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Please use your bag to carry your recyclables to the bins

Residents of North Herts are concerned about the environment, by reducing waste and improving recycling you can help. The new recycling bins at flats enables the residents to recycle paper, glass and cans more easily and help to protect the environment as well as controlling the growing cost of waste. Please use these new facilities correctly so you help to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill.

From May 2009, all flats in North Herts will start to receive these new communal recycling facilities for the collection of paper, glass and cans. Where space allows plastic bottle banks will also be provided.

This leaflet details which items go into each bin. Please follow these guidelines as materials placed in the wrong bin can result in all materials being landfilled. Persistent contamination could result in the recycling facilities being withdrawn. Because more of your waste can now be recycled, the number of general waste bins will be reduced in the future so please use the recycling bins as much as you can.

All recycling must be contained within the recycling bins (no side waste). If you find these recycling bins are always full, please let us know and we can provide more bins to help. General waste bins will continue to be collected weekly and the recycling bins fortnightly. All residents in flats will be given a reusable bag to help you carry your recyclables to your communal recycling bins.



Please ensure you place the correct material in the correct container.



Wrong items will contaminate the bin. Where bins are persistently misused or contaminated, the recycling facilities may have to be withdrawn.



The grey waste bin should NOT contain any items which can be recycled in one of the other containers or taken to a recycling site.



Yes Please



No Thanks



newspapers & magazines



Newspapers
Magazines
Junk mail
White paper
Brochures / Catalogues (remove hard covers)
Shredded Paper
Yellow Pages
Telephone directories



food tins & drink cans

Food and drink tins and cans (steel and aluminium)
Aerosols
Please rinse and squash tins and cans.
No need to remove labels.
Ensure aerosols are empty.



mixed glass bottles & jars

All colours of glass bottles and jars. Please rinse.



plastic bottles

Where banks are provided:

ALL plastic bottles

Containers made of plastic and shaped like a bottle.
Please wash and squash.



NO Cardboard
NO Wrapping paper
NO Financial Times
NO Brown paper
NO Food packaging



NO Foil or foil packaging
NO Other metals
NO Crisp packets
NO Paint cans
NO Plastic bottles
NO Jar lids or bottle tops



NO lids / corks / bottle tops
NO plastic bottles
NO Window panes
NO Pyrex
NO Light bulbs



NO lids
NO other plastic items

