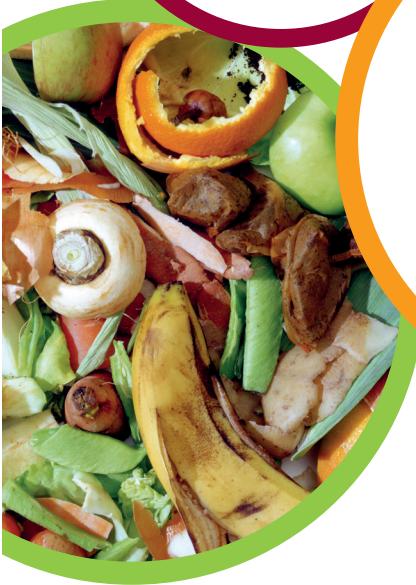


LIFE WITH LESS FOOD WASTE



Changes
affecting
residents with
a garden
waste bin

Your new
food waste
collection
service starts
6 January
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YOUR NEW FOOD WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE IN CHESHIRE EAST

From **6 January 2020** we will be introducing a new food waste collection service. We will be delivering a handy kitchen caddy and an initial supply of compostable liners to your home with instructions for use. It's clean and simple to use.

All you will need to do is line your kitchen caddy, if you choose to use one, with the compostable liners provided and put all of your food waste into the caddy. Once the caddy is full tie the liner and simply place in your **GARDEN** waste bin along with your garden waste.

Wasting food costs a family on average

£70* per month



The new service starts Monday 6 January 2020

What are the benefits?



We have listened to you and your concerns. By recycling our food waste, we will reduce the amount of food going to waste and make a difference to our environment for the better.

Rotting food in waste produces methane which contributes to climate change and it costs twice as much to dispose of food waste in a black bin, as it does to recycle food waste in your caddy - which helps to save the environment and helps you to save money too!

Biodegradable liners are optional in your caddy.



SURPRISED AT HOW MUCH FOOD YOU WASTE?

Cheshire East families waste on average £70* a month on food waste.

Here are some simple tips and guidance on how to help you waste less and save more.

WHY DO WE WASTE SO MUCH FOOD?

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- We don't plan our shopping
- We buy too much (e.g. buy 1, get 1 free)
- We don't understand dates on food packaging
- We don't measure portions, so we cook too much
- We don't store our food correctly
- We don't use food in time



ARE YOU CONFUSED BY DATE LABELS ON FOOD?

BEST BEFORE DATE	This means that the food is at its best before this date, but is still safe to eat afterwards.	
USE BY DATE	Food MUST be used by this date, even if it looks and smells fine. Food past this date is not safe.	
DISPLAY UNTIL DATE	This is only for those who work in supermarkets. It tells them by which date the product must be removed from the shelf.	

*Source WRAP (Waste and Resources Action Programme)

Look out for your food caddy that will be delivered from 6 January 2020 which will enable you to separate your food waste easily from the rest of your waste. You can start using it as soon as you receive it.



Caddies are anticipated to be delivered by 29th February, weather permitting. If you have not received your caddy by this date, please call 0300 123 5032.

You will be able to recycle ALL YOUR FOOD waste including the following:



Meat and fish - raw and cooked including bones



Fruit and vegetables - raw and cooked



Uneaten food from your plates and dishes



Bread, cakes and pastries



Rice, pasta and beans



All dairy products such as eggs and cheese



Tea bags and coffee grounds



Household food oil (not in a bottle)

You can also recycle cat and dog food, as well as hay, straw and wood shavings.

This information is only applicable to those residents with garden waste bins.

**The new service starts
Monday 6 January 2020**



**Make sure your garden waste bin is
out by 6:30am**

**Biodegradable liners are optional
in your caddy**

Green Bin*

Now for garden and
food waste.

*This bin may be
brown in some areas.

**Please DO NOT put the following into your
food caddy or garden waste bin:**



Packaging of
any sort



Plastic bags or
nappy bags



Cardboard or
paper



Foil or
food wrap



Liquid



Soil



Coffee filters



Cat litter or
animal waste

**REMEMBER! Packaging should NOT go in your caddy or garden bin. All
packaging must be removed and where recyclable, should be rinsed and
placed in your silver recycling bin.**

WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR FOOD WASTE?



Hello!

I am your new food waste caddy 'Binyun'. I'm here to help you recycle your food waste. You'll see more of me in the New Year with lots of handy tips and hints on food waste recycling.

Your food waste will be taken to a special processing plant in Crewe where it will be recycled into compost which is used in horticulture and agriculture.



Food waste is collected kerbside.

The food and garden waste is then slowly heat treated in sealed tunnels which are temperature controlled to optimise the composting process.



After around a week in these tunnels, the partly composted material is moved to a 'maturation area' where it is left for 8 weeks to further break down.



Following this period the compost is ready to be transported off site for use in agriculture and horticulture.



HOME COMPOSTING

Composting at home is an inexpensive and natural process. You can compost your kitchen and garden waste into nutrient rich food for your garden, providing you with a free supply of compost that will keep your garden blooming year after year.



Did you know, composting at home for just one year can save global warming gases equivalent to all the CO₂ your kettle produces annually, or your washing machine produces in three months?

Cheshire East Council has teamed up with 'Get Composting' to provide an exclusive offer of home composting bins and other great green products. Please visit getcomposting.com to find out more.

DOWNLOAD THE NEW WASTE WATCHERS APP



We have launched our new 'Waste Watchers' App to help residents get to grips with the new food waste collection as well as many other useful items such as:

- What you can/can't recycle
- FAQs
- Locating your nearest recycling centre
- Information on when your bin will be collected.



IT'S FREE AND EASY TO USE!

You can download the all new Waste Watcher App from the App Store or Google Play store now!



**Thank you for joining us
to reduce food waste in
Cheshire East.**

**Small changes
make a huge
difference.**

Happy recycling!

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**Biodegradable
liners are
optional in
your caddy.**

If you don't have a garden waste bin you will not be sent a caddy, please continue to use your black bin for food waste but remember, you can still **Refuse, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle** by making small changes to your food shop.



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If you know of anyone who would like this leaflet in large print or Braille, please call us on **0300 123 5032**

For more information please visit: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/recycling

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