



Household waste and recycling collections are changing

Your collection day is **THURSDAY**

Find out more inside

From 8 April 2024:

- Collections will take place on alternate weeks
- We are introducing a paid for garden waste subscription service

Find out more about when and how your waste collections will take place inside or by visiting:

 thurrock.gov.uk/binchanges

From Monday 8 April we will collect bins on alternate weeks, with your blue recycling bin and brown garden waste bin collected one week and your green or grey general waste bin collected the following week.

Making these changes will help us create a waste collection service which is fit for the future and which will help boost recycling rates in the borough.

Make sure you are putting the right waste in the right bin

You can find out more about which waste goes in what bin on our website.

 thurrock.gov.uk/bins



Recycling side waste

Our crews will continue to collect recycling side waste, except for glass and cans with sharp edges, as long as it is put in clear or white plastic bags next to your blue bin. Large cardboard boxes must be flattened and left next to the bin.

To find out more about waste collection services in Thurrock go to our website at

 thurrock.gov.uk/bins

Food waste collections are coming!

Later this year we will introduce weekly food waste collections for every house in the borough.

You do not need to do anything now. Before these collections start you will be sent a new indoor food caddy to keep in the kitchen, an outside food recycling bin with a locking lid and all the information you need to start recycling food.



Garden waste collections: what will happen

If you want to have Garden Waste collected after **8 April** you need to pay a charge of £80 a year to subscribe to the service. Subscriptions can be done online at **thurrock.gov.uk/gardenbins**



Once you have subscribed you will be sent a sticker with your address on, which must be attached to your brown bin.

Garden Waste collections will take place fortnightly. Please leave your brown bin out on the usual day, with the sticker showing.



If you choose not to subscribe you can dispose of garden waste by composting at home, or you can take garden waste to Linford Household Waste and Recycling Centre.

 Visit: **thurrock.gov.uk/hwrc**



Recycle more, waste less



One of the best ways to reduce waste is to make sure that everything that can be recycled goes in your blue bin.

By recycling as much as possible we can help reduce emissions, save trees and make sure that as little as possible goes to waste while the items you throw away can have a new life as clothing, bags, new paper, new cans and much more besides.

Did you know:

- recycled plastic can be used to make clothes – you can make an adult sized fleece jacket with just **25 plastic bottles**
- **glass, steel and aluminium are 100% recyclable** they can be reused over and over again, without losing quality
- it takes **95% less energy to recycle aluminium cans** than it does to make new ones
- it takes **60% less energy to recycle paper** than it does to make it from raw materials, saving 24 trees for every tonne of paper manufactured



There is lots of information about what can be recycled on our website at:



Visit: [thurrock.gov.uk/recycling](https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/recycling)

Collections calendar April 2024 onwards

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Your bins must be at the boundary of your property by **6am on your collection day.**

Bins must be removed from pathways as soon as possible after collection.
Excess refuse and garden waste will not be collected.

You can always check when your bins are scheduled to be collected on our website at

 thurrock.gov.uk/bindays

Blue Recycling Bin
Brown Garden Bin

Grey/Green
Refuse Bin