Your new recycling service



Important information about changes to your recycling and refuse collection service





recycle for Ashford



www.ashford.gov.uk/waste

Ashford is making it easier for you to recycle at home.

From this summer, every household will have recycling collections (including cardboard, food and drink cartons and plastics), a new weekly food collection, and receive new recycling and refuse containers*.

This spring you will be sent detailed information on what containers your property will be getting, and when your collections will take place. You may also notice different vehicles collecting your recycling around the borough.

The new service will be run in partnership with Swale Borough Council, Maidstone Borough Council and Kent County Council. Our new contractor is Biffa, who already work with some of the top recycling

boroughs in the country.

*The number of containers you receive will depend on your property. All homes will receive a recycling container and a small food caddy, as well as a household refuse container where suitable. We will write to you shortly with details of your allocation.



Help us make the new service a success!

What we will collect

Unused or leftover food

Weekly

Raw and cooked meat and fish, all dairy products, fruit and veg, bread and pulses, tea and coffee, rice, pasta, leftovers, butter.





Recycling

Fortnightly

Cardboard, paper, magazines, plastic bottles, plastic food containers, yoghurt pots, food and drink cartons, food tins, drink cans, foil, glass, aerosols.

Household refuse

Fortnightly

Cling film, polystyrene, crisp packets, sanitary products, nappies, cat litter.



Timetable

April Work with Biffa begins, interim vehicles take over current collections

May Details of new collections and containers sent

May/June New containers sent out to residents

July New food, recycling and refuse collections begin

Garden recycling collections

Have your garden recycling collected fortnightly for just £30 a year

Ashford's new garden recycling collection is available for all households from June 2013.

Register now to receive your new container, and start recycling this summer!



- grass cuttings
- hedge trimmings
- prunings and small branches
- weeds
- leaves
- dead plants

This service is completely optional, and costs £30 per container per year. You are welcome to share your bin with neighbours or apply for more than one container.

Visit: www.ashford.gov.uk/gardenrecycling