

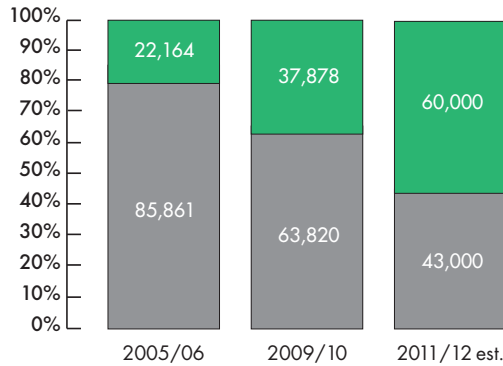
Please recycle everything you can – it really makes a difference

Thanks to your efforts, in the two years since the new services were introduced, we have achieved the following:

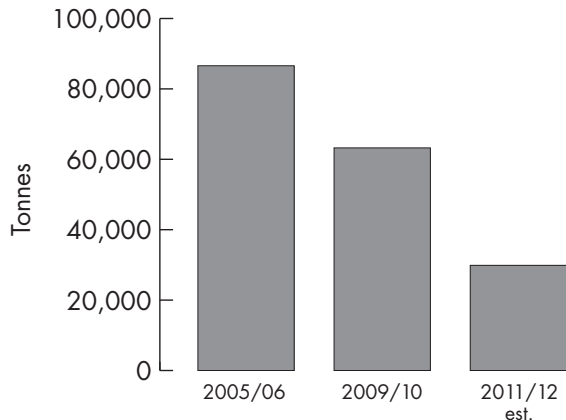
- A 58% increase in the total amount of waste recycled or composted (from 38,000 tonnes to 60,000 tonnes)
- A recycling rate that has increased from 37% to 58% – one of the best in the country
- A 21,000 tonne reduction in household waste per year
- A £2m reduction in landfill / disposal costs.

Household waste

- Total household waste recycled or composted (tonnes)
- Total residual household waste (tonnes)



Total waste sent to landfill



Thank you for recycling, we are now recycling far more than ever before in North Somerset.

MONDAY

Your recycling and waste collection calendar for 2012/2013



Thank you for continuing to recycle.

Your new calendar has tips on how to sort your recycling and help speed up collections.



www.n-somerset.gov.uk/recycle

"Let's sort it" stickers are included with your calendar – please use them on your green recycling boxes to identify which materials go in each box.

Untied carrier bags can be used to keep materials separate. You can use one bag for cardboard and cartons and another for plastics and tins as these materials are collected together.

Keeping the different materials separated means that it's quicker for the crew to collect. They spend less time blocking the road and it reduces the amount of spillage. It's safer for the crew as they can see all the materials in the box, including anything possibly dangerous. The quality of the recycling collected is also much higher.

Collected every week

Green box recycling

Box 1

- Household plastic packaging (No black, film or expanded polystyrene)
- All tins, cans, aerosols and foil
- Food and drink cartons such as Tetra Pak
- Cardboard and brown paper, all types (please flatten)



Box 2

- Paper, magazines and newspaper
- Glass bottles and jars
- Mobile phones
- Spectacles
- Batteries
- Clothes, shoes (tied in pairs) and textiles (must be dry and in a non black carrier bag)



Food waste

- Cooked and raw food
- Meat and fish
- Dairy products
- Vegetable and fruit peelings
- Cut flowers
- Egg shells
- Tea bags and coffee grounds



You can line your caddy with newspaper, kitchen roll, or compostable corn starch liners. Do not use plastic bags.

Collected every other week

Green garden waste

(reduced collections in Dec and Jan)

- Grass cuttings, prunings, hedge and conifer clippings
- Plants, flowers, leaves and weeds
- Twigs and branches (max 10cm diameter)



Soil, rubble and other general rubbish should not be put in the bag. The bag should not weigh more than 20kg.

Non-recycling rubbish

Only non-recyclable materials such as plastic packaging, black plastic, expanded polystyrene and foam, carrier bags, nappies, pet litter and broken glass (wrapped in newspaper).



or



Please place your containers out for collection at the edge of your property by 7am on the morning of your collection.

Your recycling and waste collection day is **MONDAY (week 2)**

- Recycling and food waste is collected every week.
- Green waste (GW) and non-recycling rubbish is collected every other week.
- We collect on all Bank Holidays (except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day) – check dates below for changes.
- Green waste collections are reduced during December and January, please check your calendar for amended dates.

	Green waste (GW), recycling and food waste	Rubbish, recycling and food waste	Green waste (GW), recycling and food waste	Rubbish, recycling and food waste	Green waste (GW), recycling and food waste	Rubbish, recycling and food waste
Mar 2012		5	12	19	26	
Apr 2012		2	9	16	23	30
May 2012	7	14	21	28		
Jun 2012	4	11	18	25		
Jul 2012	2	9	16	23	30	
Aug 2012		6	13	20	27	
Sep 2012		3	10	17	24	
Oct 2012		1	8	15	22	29
Nov 2012	5	12	19	26		
Dec 2012	3	10	17 no GW	24		
Jan 2013	2* no GW	8*	14	21	28 no GW	
Feb 2013		4	11	18	25	
Mar 2013		4	11	18	25	

No GW recycling and food waste only (no green waste).

*Red text is a change of day from your normal collection day

You can report missed collections (within 48 hours) or order replacement containers at:
www.n-somerset.gov.uk/connect

www.n-somerset.gov.uk/recycle



cut out and keep your calendar