How to use your food waste caddy

Your caddy can sit on your worktop or inside a kitchen cupboard.

Line your kitchen caddy or any other small plastic container with a caddy liner or newspaper and put your food waste in it. (No plastic bags)



Whenever you need to empty your caddy, tie the top of the liner. Remember not to let it get too full before emptying it.



Then empty your food caddy into the communal recycling bin located in your refuse area or next to the communal bins for your other recycling services.





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Why recycle your food waste?

Food waste that is sent to **landfill** doesn't harmlessly breakdown. It has a big impact on the **environment** as it rots and releases **methane** – a harmful greenhouse gas that is 25 times more potent than carbon dioxide.

When recycled, food waste can be turned into something useful. Your food waste is taken to a special processing plant where it is used to **generate electricity** to **power homes** and the **local community**. It also produces a **fertiliser** which can be used in farming.

Good to know

6 recycled tea bags could produce enough electricity to boil a kettle for another cuppa.



Every tonne of food waste sent to landfill instead of being recycled affects council services, because it results in a 'landfill tax' - it is money that would be better spent elsewhere.



Recycling your food Waste has never been easier

Please put the following in your small, green food waste caddy:







Fruit and vegetable peelings



Leftovers and plate scrapings



Dairy, fish, egg shells



Bread and pastries



Meat and bones

Do not include:



Cardboard and thin card



Carrier bags, black sacks and cling film



Wood and building materials



Polystyrene packaging



Nappies

Your recycling is really making a difference - thanks!

