



Freepost Plus RSBA-HGRT-ZERT
Wiltshire Waste Survey
Wiltshire Council
County Hall
Bythesea Road
TROWBRIDGE
BA14 8JN

To find out more about this project

Please complete the attached reply paid card to let us know if you support the proposal or not. You can simply pop it into the post to the Freepost address, to reach us by Friday 20 August 2010.

If you would like to make specific comments, you can do so by writing to:

The Director, Department of
Neighbourhood and Planning
Wiltshire Council
County Hall
Trowbridge
Wiltshire BA14 8JN

- Mark your letter 'Waste consultation'

You can reply and provide your feedback online if that is more convenient:

Do so by completing the survey at:
www.wiltshire.gov.uk/waste

and by emailing:
wasteconsultation@wiltshire.gov.uk

Please return all comments
by Friday 20 August.

Information about Wiltshire Council's services can be made available on request in other languages and formats such as large print and audio. Please contact the council on 0300 456 0102, by textphone on 01225 712500 or by email on customerservices@wiltshire.gov.uk

For more details:

Visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Come along to one of our road shows where we will aim to answer any questions you may have:

Salisbury Market Place
(Market Day)
Tuesday 29 June
10am – 2pm

Trowbridge Town Centre
Wednesday 30 June
10am – 2pm

Devizes Town Centre
(Market Day)
Thursday 1 July
10am – 2pm

Chippenham Town Centre
(Market Day)
Friday 2 July
10am – 2pm

Go along to your local Area Board meeting at which there will be opportunities to hear more during the summer.
(Visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards for dates, venues and agendas).

Waste collection and recycling

Proposing a first class service for all households in Wiltshire

Have your say



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We want to talk to you about how we manage waste in Wiltshire... and we're keen to hear your views.

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The proposal

A first class waste service for Wiltshire residents

The existing black box recycling collection will be complemented by:

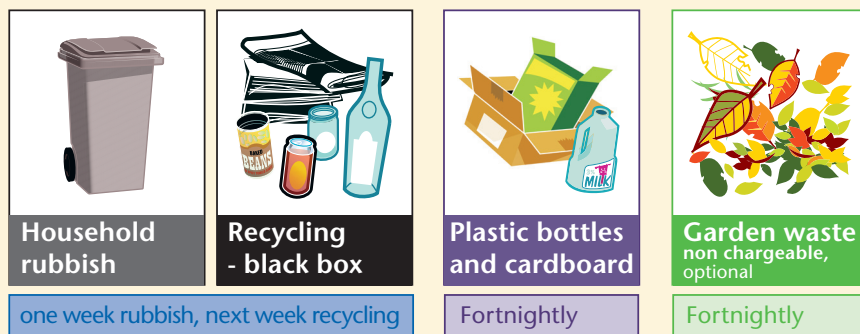
A kerbside collection of plastic bottles and cardboard every 2 weeks.

This service is currently provided to residents in south Wiltshire, but would be a new service to residents in the north, east and west.

A non chargeable optional kerbside collection of garden waste every 2 weeks.

This service is currently provided to residents in west Wiltshire. All residents in north, south and east Wiltshire, including those who currently have a charged collection, will be able to apply.

However, these additional recycling services can only be offered if the waste that is left over is also collected every 2 weeks, to enable us to re-use existing resources and vehicles (this service is currently provided in east and west Wiltshire, but would be a change in the north and south of the county).



Note: The kerbside collection of food waste or tetra packaging is not included, due to a mix of technology and capacity issues. However this will be kept under review and may be considered in the future. Residents can recycle their Tetrapaks at our Household Recycling Centres, and the council continues to subsidise the cost of food waste digesters allowing residents to treat their food waste at home (see www.recycleforwiltshire.com).

This proposal recognises that residents want a wider range of materials to be collected for recycling, to help them manage their waste when it is collected every 2 weeks.

The existing fortnightly **kerbside black box collection** for glass bottles and jars, newspapers and magazines, food and drinks cans, aerosols, foil and textiles will continue.

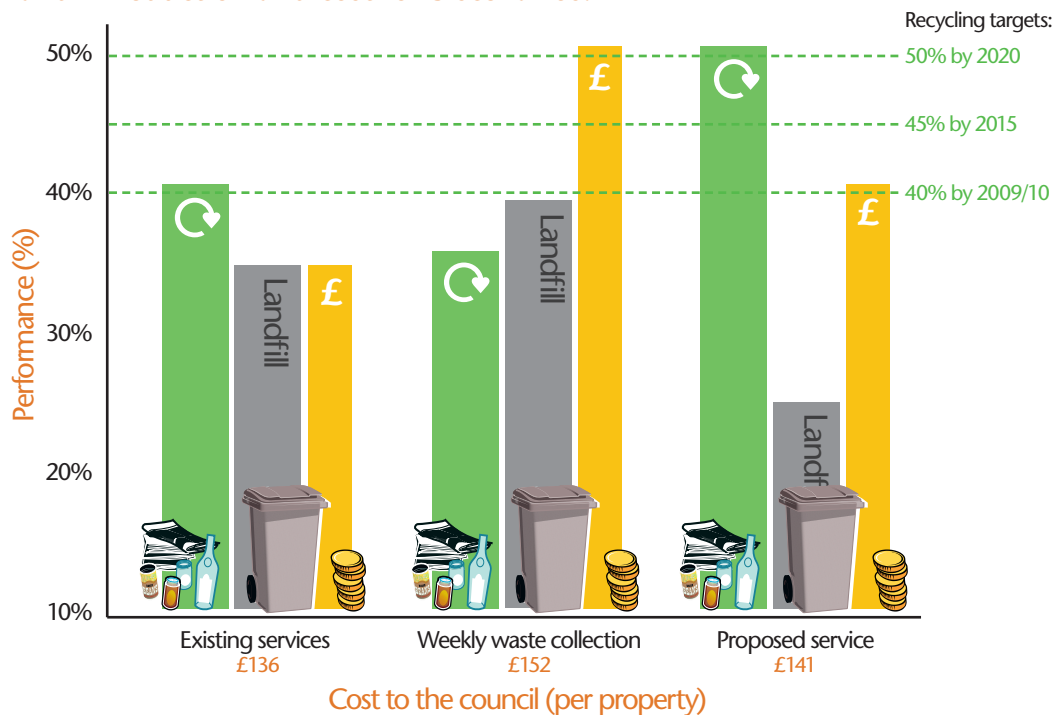
As well as reducing the amount of waste we send to landfill evidence shows that the proposal for a first class waste service will increase household recycling rates from the current average of 40.5% to over 50%. This will allow us to meet tough targets, reduce our landfill costs and avoid potentially huge EU fines. This service will be funded by using efficiency savings we have made from the move to one council, together with future savings in disposal costs.

The challenges we face

Residents of Wiltshire deserve the same first class recycling service no matter where they live in the county. Currently there are different waste collection and recycling arrangements across the county. We face many challenges:

- Landfill sites are filling up fast and we must reduce the gas emissions they produce. The proposal will mean we recycle more and landfill less waste, reducing the environmental impact on our county.
- We want to hit future recycling targets (see graphic below).
- If we don't do this we know the yearly cost of sending waste to landfill will increase from about £12.5million to almost £17million
- by 2015 as landfill tax continues to rise.
- We also risk incurring heavy fines (possibly in excess of £150 per tonne) if we do not reduce our landfilling of waste that decomposes.
- Using treatment technologies could divert more waste from landfill - 50,000 tonnes a year of Wiltshire's waste already goes to an Energy from Waste facility - but we also remain committed to recycling more.

The graphic below shows the difference in recycling performance, landfill reduction and cost for 3 scenarios:



Questionnaire

Please make sure that you have read the information in the leaflet carefully before completing this survey. These important details will help you decide whether or not you support the proposed waste and recycling service for Wiltshire residents.

The proposal

A first class waste and recycling service

Wiltshire residents will receive:

- A kerbside collection of plastic bottles and cardboard every 2 weeks.
- A kerbside black box collection for glass, papers, cans, foil and textiles every 2 weeks.
- A non chargeable optional kerbside collection of garden waste every 2 weeks.
- A collection of left over waste every 2 weeks.

I have read the information attached and I support the council's proposal:

Yes No

About you

This section is purely optional, but it will help us plan your services. This information cannot be used to identify you.

Could you also give us just a little information about you?

Gender: Male Female

Age: 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

Where do you live? Please enter your postcode:

When finished please cut out this questionnaire and post it back to us, free of charge, to the Freepost address overleaf. You don't need to use a stamp! Please return by Friday 20 August 2010.