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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 in [insert location of 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 [insert local information where possible].

good to know It costs us more than [insert cost of sending food waste to landfill] each year to landfill food waste in [insert your local area]. Recycling it could generate electricity to power a typical school for [insert number of weeks].

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

#### Top tip

If you use liners in your kitchen caddy try putting a sheet of kitchen roll or newspaper in the bottom to help keep it dry Last year households in [insert area] recycled [insert tonnes] of their food waste. Let's work together to recycle even more.

## Food for thought

Remember there is **no amount too small**. The **best thing** we can do with our food is enjoy it but some waste like banana skins, tea bags and plate scrapings are inevitable.



# Recycling your food waste

## has never been easier

[INSERT YOUR LOCAL AREA] provides a convenient weekly food recycling service

### Have you got the right equipment?

You'll need a kitchen caddy, a food recycling bin and a roll of liners. If you don't have any of these please get in touch online at **www.councilwebsite.com/recyclingpage** or call **0000 0000**.

Line your kitchen caddy with one of the liners and put your food waste in it.





Top tip

If you would rather
 use your own
 indoor container
 that's fine – do
whatever works for
 you

2. Whenever you need to empty your caddy, tie the top and put it in your outdoor food recycling bin.





Top tip
Remember to not
let your caddy
get too full before
emptying it

- Remember your food recycling bin comes with a lockable handle.
- Please put your food recycling out for collection by 7.00 a.m. every week on your normal recycling day.





Your recycling is really making a difference — thanks!