



# RIBBLE VALLEY WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWS

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Welcome to the first edition of our newsletter! Our aim is to help you learn more about Ribble Valley's waste management services and to help you to recycle more. We hope you find the newsletter both informative and useful.

## Spotlight on Recycling

More and more people recycle every day. And with environmental issues becoming more important, it is essential that we all try and do more.

The average person throws away around 400kg of rubbish each year - the equivalent of 7 times their bodyweight!

We would like to make it as easy as possible for residents in Ribble Valley to recycle more.

It can often be confusing to remember what can and cannot be recycled and what bin it should go in. Our handy guide below should help.

### Did you know?

26m tonnes of waste is created by British households each year.



Any material that cannot be recycled. General waste, food and kitchen waste, nappies, wet wipes, tissues, cat litter and dog faeces (bagged). Waxed food and drinks cartons  
Plastic film, wrappings, bags, and bubble wrap.



Nothing that can be recycled  
Hot ashes | Builders' waste  
Corrosive materials | Clinical waste | Electrical items | Soil.



Plastic bottles, plant pots, yoghurt pots, margarine tubs, ice cream tubs, detergent bottles, trays from meat, dairy and fruit. Glass jars/bottles, drinks cans, metal tins/cans. Clean aluminium foil and foil trays.



Batteries | Paper  
Textiles | Crockery | Cutlery  
Carrier bags | Cartons | Food  
Nappies | Wet wipes | Tissues  
Bubble wrap | Polystyrene  
Pyrex | Drinking glasses.



Grass and hedge cuttings, leaves and prunings, weeds and flowers. Twigs and small branches. Christmas trees (cut up). Clean straw, wood shavings, bark, and sawdust.



Food waste | Bones | Large  
branches | Soil | Stones  
Vegetables | Fruit peelings  
Egg shells | Coffee grounds  
Tea bags.



All clean paper, shredded paper, newspapers, magazines, brochures, telephone directories. Grey and brown cardboard including greeting cards and wrapping paper (no foil). Envelopes.



Jiffy bags  
Plastic coverings on junk mail  
Juice cartons | Tetra-pack  
containers | Wallpaper  
Polystyrene | Tissues.



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# Could your trash be someone else's treasure?

There are lots of ways to recycle items and many of your unwanted items might be of use to someone else in your community. Instead of sending items to landfill, there are several options to choose from:

## Freegle

Freegle is a free internet-based service which helps people give away things for free in their local community which they would otherwise throw away. Find out more at: Don't throw it away, give it away! ([ilovefreegle.org](http://ilovefreegle.org)).



## Charity Shops

Take your pre-loved items to your local charity shop and help to raise funds for important causes. Many charity shops also offer a collection service for more bulky items.

## Vinted

Vinted is an online marketplace and mobile app that allows people to buy, sell, and trade secondhand clothing, shoes, accessories, and other fashion items. Any fees are paid for by the buyer. Find it in your app store.



## Charity Bins

You can also donate items like textiles, clothing and shoes at charity bins which are available in most Ribble Valley Borough Council car parks.

## Car-Boot Sales

Events where people gather to sell a variety of secondhand goods and items from the boot of your car! They are a popular way to declutter homes and make some extra money.

## Community Organisations

For bulky items and furniture, you can also donate to charity and community organisations. Click on the following link to find out more ([Special Collections](#)).



### Recycle Week 2023

October 16 - 22 2023

This year's theme is 'The Big Recycling Hunt' and focuses on "missed capture" - those items that can be recycled but are often commonly missed in the home.

More info can be found here:  
([www.recyclenow.com](http://www.recyclenow.com))



### When is my bin collection day?

Bin Collection Calendars 2023-2024

Your collection day for all bins can be found on Ribble Valley Borough council's website, or by clicking on the following link:

([Bin Collection – Ribble Valley Borough Council](#))



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