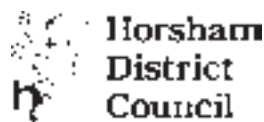


Your household refuse and recycling calendar to September 2009

2008/9 ACORN SCHEME



PULL OUT AND KEEP

Your recycling and refuse collection calendar is printed in every edition of the Horsham District News magazine (usually twice a year) to be pulled out and kept. The information can also be downloaded from the Council's website: www.horsham.gov.uk. Larger print versions are available by calling **01403 733144**.

The next calendar will be published in **March 2009**

SEPTEMBER 2008						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

OCTOBER 2008						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

NOVEMBER 2008						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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DECEMBER 2008						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1Jan	2Jan	3Jan

25 & 26 December 2008 collections will be delayed by one week and one day.

No green garden waste collections 22nd December to 9th January, collection starts w/c 12th January.

October 2008- December 2008 collection dates in the previous calendar were incorrect. Please ignore these dates and use the dates in this calendar. Sorry for any inconvenience.

ZONE A

Cans with plastic bottles & aerosols.
Plus green garden waste & card

No Collections

Newspapers with Magazines

ZONE B

Cans with plastic bottles & aerosols.

No Collections

Newspapers with Magazines.
Plus green garden waste & card

JANUARY 2009						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

FEBRUARY 2009						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

MARCH 2009						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

APRIL 2009						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
			1	2	3	4

EASTER ARRANGEMENTS 2009

Normal Collection Day	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
w/c Mon 6th April 2009	Mon 6	Tues 7	Wed 8	Thurs 9	Tues 14
w/c Mon 13th April 2009	Wed 15	Thur 16	Fri 17	Sat 18	Mon 20
w/c Mon 20th April 2009	Tues 21	Wed 22	Thur 23	Fri 24	Sat 25
w/c Mon 27th April 2009	Mon 27	Tues 28	Wed 29	Thur 30	

No collections on Good Friday 10th and Easter Monday 13th.

MAY 2009						
Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Bank Holidays 4th & 25th May all collections in that week will be delayed by one day.

- Recycling and refuse is collected from Monday to Friday, unless otherwise indicated.
- Following SINGLE bank holidays all collections will be delayed by one day, for that week only.
- From 25 December 2008 to 1 January 2009 there will be no household collections.
- Following Christmas and Easter recycling and refuse collections are subject to special arrangements (see above).
- **WHAT ZONE DO I LIVE IN?** If you are unsure as to what zone you live in please call the Info line **01403 733144**.
- Please note every effort will be made to collect your recycling and refuse as arranged but occasionally circumstances beyond our control result in delayed collections. Your patience in these circumstances is appreciated.

Get your personalised calendar

Household collection dates are now online at www.horsham.gov.uk. You can now find your own household's recycling and refuse collection dates by typing in your **post code** on the home page of the Council's website - www.horsham.gov.uk

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This document can be requested in alternative formats.
Call **01403 733 144**

How to read your household refuse & recycling calendar

If you know what day your collection is and which collection zone your property is in, then you can confirm in advance what collections will be taking place by using our refuse and recycling calendar:

On all BLUE weeks – cans with plastic bottles & aerosols will be collected throughout the District. Properties in Zone A will also receive a garden waste and card collection during this week.

On all YELLOW weeks – newspapers and magazines will be collected throughout the District. Properties in Zone B will also receive a garden waste and card collection.

You can look up this information on Horsham District Council's website at www.horsham.gov.uk by entering your postcode in the box provided under 'Waste Collection Date' and clicking on the button 'get my dates'. This will show a list of addresses where you will need to select your property and a personalised calendar will appear with your refuse and recycling collections.

If you are unsure of your collection day and/or whether you live in Zone A or B, please contact our Customer Care Team by calling **01403 733144** who will be happy to help.



What can I recycle in the Acorn Scheme?

Yes please ✓		No thanks ✗	
Recycling basket/s (basket one)	Newspapers, magazines, brochures and catalogues.	Yellow Pages, cardboard, envelopes and junk mail.	
Recycling basket/s (basket two)	Cans and plastic bottles (including aerosols)	Plastic food trays, yoghurt pots, margarine/ice cream tubs, brown or black plastic bottles.	
Green garden waste with flat card in a larger size 240 litre wheeled bin	Grass cuttings, prunings, weeds, leaves, branches (cut to size no larger than 150mm in diameter please) non-corrugated flat card e.g. cereal packets, egg boxes.	Kitchen waste (including peelings), corrugated cardboard, junk mail, paper, Tetra Pak drink cartons, treated and painted timber, plastic bags, plant pots or detergent packaging.	
Household waste in a standard size 140 litre wheeled bin	Non-recyclable general household refuse.	Recyclables and excess waste not contained within the wheeled bin. Demolition waste.	

Plastic bottle recycling

why can we only recycle plastic bottles?

We get a number of queries about the types of plastic that residents are able to recycle within the District and we appreciate their interest to learn more. Below is some information about why we can only recycle PLASTIC BOTTLES. There are about 50 different groups of plastics, with hundreds of different varieties. In theory all plastics can be recycled if the technology and markets are available.

Within the UK there are limited markets and reprocessing plants for any other types of plastic other than plastic bottles and without these markets and reprocessing plants available West Sussex County Council is unable to recycle margarine tubs, ice cream tubs, microwaveable meal trays and yoghurt pots.

The reason why there is not the market for these types of plastics is because they are made from a cheaper plastic, usually marked PP and PS, than that used for plastic bottles, marked PET and HDPE which is more expensive. It therefore costs the manufacturers more money to recycle it than to make these types of plastic from new resources. However a government body, WRAP (Waste and Resources Action Programme), has been set up to create and develop stable and efficient markets for recycled materials. It is likely that in the future more and more plastics will be able to undergo reprocessing.



Crawley Transfer Station

A major fire engulfed the waste transfer station at the Metcalf Road Household Waste Recycling Site in Crawley, West Sussex.

This has had an impact on Horsham District Council's recycling rounds as the recycling that was taken to Crawley now has been re-routed to Burgess Hill. The crews have responded efficiently to change their round so that they do not have to travel any unnecessary distances. This may also mean that collection times have changed and therefore all residents need to make sure their bins and baskets are outside their property by 7am.

State of the art recycling facility for West Sussex

A brand new state of the art Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) is due to open in 2009 and once up and running will sort all the materials collected from West Sussex households' kerbside recycling bins.

The MRF, located at Ford near Arundel, is currently under construction and at the time of writing the steel frame and roof are in place; wall cladding will follow before the interior is fitted out.

Ford MRF is a flagship development for the county that will use the latest sophisticated technologies in the recycling industry. Recyclable materials entering the MRF will travel along conveyor belts with fast scanning sensors analysing and identifying the type of material as well as the shape, texture and colour. Metals used in domestic and food packaging will be sorted using magnetic separation techniques and a screened rotating cylinder will separate different sizes of paper and card.

The sorted materials will then be baled and transported from Ford to different reprocessors who will use the materials to manufacture new products.

Once the MRF is fully operational, local authorities will be in a position to assess their kerbside recycling services with a view to



Artist's impression of the Materials Recycling Facility

extending the range of materials collected for recycling. All this is possible because the technologies at Ford will be capable of sorting different types of materials efficiently and to high quality standards.

Ford MRF forms a major part in a development programme to build new and improved recycling facilities for West Sussex. Viridor Waste Management was the County Council's chosen contractor to deliver a range of recycling and wastes handling services and will be operating the MRF when it opens in February 2009.

ADVANCE INFORMATION

Mixed Dry Recycling



In summer 2009, Horsham District Council will be introducing a brand new mixed dry recycling scheme aimed at increasing our current recycling rates and reducing the amount of waste sent to landfill.

With the new Materials Recycling Facility up and running at Ford in February 2009, residents in Horsham District will have the opportunity to recycle a number of different materials as well as all of the materials we currently recycle when the 'New Look Acorn Scheme' is rolled out.

What you need to know

The new scheme is due to be introduced in summer 2009. All areas in the District will be taking part in the scheme by Spring 2011

The scheme is expected to be introduced in four phases and rolled out over two years. Most households will be provided with a 240 litre wheeled bin to replace the recycling baskets currently in use

Mixed dry recyclable materials for collection will include:

Plastic bottles; aerosols; cans; mixed paper; junk mail / envelopes; corrugated and non-corrugated card; clean foil; beverage cartons; and mixed coloured glass bottles & jars.

The mixed dry recycling bin will be emptied once a fortnight on alternate weeks as your garden waste bin

Weekly collections of refuse will remain

The District's recycling rate is expected to increase from 38% to a minimum of 48%

The amount of household waste disposed of to landfill is expected to reduce by 13% on current levels

Love Food Hate Waste



A third of all food in the UK ends up being thrown away, which is 6.7 million tonnes every year.

We end up spending £10.2 billion every year on food that is thrown away. For each household this is on average £420, but for households with children this can rise to £610 a year. It is costing local councils £1 billion collecting this food waste, where most of it goes to landfill.

As food breaks down on a landfill site, it produces methane gas, which is 25 times more potent than carbon dioxide, causing high levels of global warming. Food waste is an enormous challenge, not least because most of us don't recognise the amount we produce. It is a massive opportunity to reduce waste, save money and minimise our impact on the environment.

By thinking about portion sizes, recipes and storage we can all save money and help the environment too.

www.lovefoodhatewaste.com is a campaign to make people more aware of the food they eat and how to cut back. There are ideas for recipes, portion control, storage of food and cost saving tips.

Another way to help reduce food waste is to use a compost bin. To order a compost bin please visit www.recyclenow.com/compost or call **0845 077 0757**