

Dear resident,

**RE: Important information about a new wheeled bin kerbside glass recycling service**

**Great news!**

We are delighted to be bringing a **free wheeled bin kerbside glass recycling service** to your area! It means that across the district we will be able to recycle glass bottles and jars from kerbsides. Once collected they will be sent off to be recycled, avoiding them going for incineration.



**Key information about our service**

This will be a **free service for those residents who want it**. If you do, then you will be given a new, smaller sized 140 litre wheelie bin. Collections will take place every **eight weeks** and we plan to begin delivering the bins to households later this year.

**How to sign up to our wheeled bin kerbside glass recycling service**

If you would like to benefit from our new wheeled bin service, you need to let us know by **16 July 2023**.

You can do this by either:

1. Visiting [www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/kerbsideglass](http://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/kerbsideglass) or scanning the **QR code** to complete an online opt in form.
2. Returning your completed enclosed opt in form using the free business return envelope included.
3. Contacting our Customer Services team using the information on the reverse of this letter.



**Latest update on rolling out this new service**

We are writing to everyone in your area to find out who will be using our new service. We will then plan our collection rounds and start working towards rolling the service out. While we don't have an exact date yet, we'll keep you posted via our website and social media channels.

**Alternative option!**

As you may already be aware, local community group Recycling Ollerton and Boughton (ROB) already offer a kerbside glass collection service in your area. As part of this service, they supply a free kerbside box for recycling your glass bottles and jars that is collected every two weeks. This service provides work-based opportunities for young adults with learning disabilities and the glass collected is reprocessed into new bottles and jars and avoids it going for incineration. If you are not already part of the ROB scheme, and would prefer to use their service, you can visit [www.recyclingollerton.co.uk](http://www.recyclingollerton.co.uk) for more information and to sign up for their collection scheme.

## Being Cleaner and Greener

This new service is another part of our commitment to you, ensuring that we are doing all we can to create a cleaner and greener Newark and Sherwood. Over the past few years, we have also:

- Planted or given away over 22,000 new trees (and we will continue to plant more!)
- Organised nine days of action targeting cleaner, safer and greener issues in different villages and towns (with more planned too!)
- Introduced electric vehicles to our fleet (in fact we will be using even more electric vehicles in the future too!)
- Began installing solar PV panels on our corporate and leisure buildings (with more to come!)
- Joined in with national campaigns such as The Great British Spring Clean, Recycling Week and No Mow May (cutting back on mowing some of our green spaces so wildflowers can bloom to help our pollinating insect residents!)
- Committed £55,000 towards ensuring housing developers work with licensed and experienced ecologists when building new homes
- Grown our garden waste recycling service with over 17,000 households now having their garden waste collected from their doorstep (sign up and find out more on our website or by scanning the QR code!)
- Collected 1599 fly-tips and issued over 2000 fixed penalty notices for environmental crimes in the last year alone!
- Hit our highest ever recycling rate during 2023 (and are striving to better that with our kerbside glass recycling service!)
- Visit our website or follow us on social media to find out more on all the cleaner and greener things we are doing across Newark and Sherwood. From finding out how you can join in on our community litter picking programme, to how you can report your environmental issues to us to resolve, we'd love to share even more with you. You can also be **kept up to date** with our latest information by signing up to receive our regular monthly email update; you can register on the homepage of our website or by contacting our customer services team.



Thank you for taking the time to read this information and, if you aren't already, we hope that you will soon benefit from having your glass collected from your doorstep! If you have any questions, then please visit our website or contact our customer services team. We are looking forward to this new service rolling out across the district and doing yet more to make a cleaner and greener Newark and Sherwood.

Thank you,



**Matthew Finch**  
Director of Communities  
and Environment

## OPT-IN RETURN FORM – KERBSIDE GLASS RECYCLING SERVICE

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I would like to take advantage of the new wheeled bin kerbside glass recycling service provided by Newark and Sherwood District Council. My details are below:

First name:
Surname:
Address line 1:
Address line 2:
Town:
Postcode:
E-mail address*:
Mobile telephone number*:

Any information that is voluntarily submitted in this form will only be used for the purpose or purposes for which it was intended. All information will be treated in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK General Data Protection Regulation. Further details on this are available at [www.newark-sherwoodd.gov.uk/privacynotice](http://www.newark-sherwoodd.gov.uk/privacynotice)

\*this information may be used to remind you about your eight weekly bin collection dates. Please tick this box if you do not wish to receive these reminders