

PROPOSED CHANGES TO OUR WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICE

Consultative Panel June 2022

Why we must change

We have been reviewing our recycling and rubbish collection services and developing a new waste strategy for the New Forest in line with the government's objectives.

Increase recycling rates

Reduce carbon footprint

Current service does not encourage waste minimisation

Comply with government's future direction

Provide a wider range of recycling services

Work with our Hampshire partners to ensure compatibility

Improve the cleanliness of the district's streets

Reduce the quantity of single-use sacks distributed per year

Protect our operatives and meet regulatory standards

Provide feedback to residents when services are used incorrectly

How have we developed the strategy

The development of our waste strategy has been informed by:

- government consultations
- an initial resident survey, early 2020
- our draft waste strategy, approved in November 2020
- a formal period of engagement, late 2020 where residents, our staff, and other stakeholders provided feedback on the Draft Waste Strategy
- Hampshire's new [Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy](#), which will see us working with councils in Hampshire to manage the county's waste. We approved the strategy in October 2021
- looking at best practice from top-performing councils from comparable areas in England.
- ongoing feedback from members and staff

Key objectives

Objective 1

Minimise carbon impact of waste/recycling service

- We are committed to taking all possible measures to help tackle climate change.

Objective 2

Reduce levels of overall household waste

- Waste reduction remains top of the waste hierarchy; therefore, we must implement all possible actions proven to reduce levels of waste

Objective 3

Increase quality and quantity of recycling

- Future recycling rate targets set by the government, will not be met without service changes.

Objective 4

Legislative and regulatory compliance

- The council is required to comply with any legislation that central government pass in relation to waste collection services.

What collection service will residents receive?



Weekly food waste collections
Caddy



Fortnightly paper and card collections
Reusable bag



Fortnightly mixed recycling collections
Wheeled bin



Fortnightly general waste collections
Wheeled bin



Fortnightly garden collections
Wheeled bin (paid for service)



Week 1 & 2



Week 1



Week 2

Increased focus and resource on communications and education activities to help residents reduce waste and recycle more

Next steps

- We are awaiting clarification from central government regarding timelines and funding
- We are continuing to work with HCC on infrastructure and financial arrangements
- Final strategy to Environment and Sustainability Overview and Scrutiny Panel, 16 June.
- approval at Cabinet/Council in July
- If approved, new service to go live in phases in 2024
- Any further questions can be directed to wastestrategy@nfdc.gov.uk

Questions?