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BEXLEY IS THE TOP LONDON BOROUGH FOR RECYCLING FOR 12TH YEAR RUNNING

Thanks to local residents, Bexley has been named as the top Borough in London for recycling for the twelfth year in a row.

The figures are based on national data collected from all local authorities, which is compiled into an annual table by Defra (Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs), and used as a benchmark to compare how councils are doing on recycling.

Cabinet Member for Community Safety, Environment and Leisure Cllr Peter Craske said: "Thank you to all of our residents for continuing to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle in Bexley. It's because of all of their hard work that we are once again the leading London Borough for recycling – making this the 12th year running!

"To retain our leading position during a period when we made changes to the food recycling service, and introduced a new garden waste service, makes this result even more remarkable."

From 12 December, every resident in Bexley will start to receive a new 2017 Household Recycling & Waste Guide. The guide has lots of useful information to help residents maximise their recycling. It contains a schedule showing the collection days for different waste and recycling materials throughout 2017 and information on which items can and cannot be recycled.

A new recycling reward scheme has also recently been introduced in the Borough to encourage households to recycle more. Those who sign up have the chance to win up to £15,000 each year for local charities and community projects. The more householders recycle, the more 'Green Points' they gain.

To participate in the scheme residents need to activate their account either online at www.bexley.localgreenpoints.com or by phone on 020 7326 5055. They will then receive a recycling rewards card and key fob which they can use to get discounts and special offers from over 65 local businesses.

