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Food recycling boxes

New sturdier food recycling boxes are now available and can be ordered free of charge by Bexley residents.

If you are struggling with your current food box or have given up on food waste recycling completely, why not start afresh with a new improved food box. The new version is the same size as the old one but it can only be unlocked by pushing a button on top of the lid.

You can order your new food box at www.bexley.gov.uk/foodboxes

Visit your local library if you need help completing the form online. If you would prefer not to keep your old food waste recycling box you can arrange for this to be removed when ordering your new one.

Cllr Peter Craske, Cabinet Member for Places, said: "We're always looking at ways to improve the recycling service for local people. That's why we've bought sturdier food boxes, which residents can get free of charge."

"It's also why, later this year, we'll be replacing the current three boxes that you have for recycling with two wheelie bins, which will reduce windblown litter and help increase recycling."

From November 2019 residents will get a blue lidded bin for paper and cardboard and a white lidded bin for plastics, glass, cans and cartons. Delivering all the new bins will take up to 14 weeks.

The new wheelie bins will be collected every two weeks – blue lidded bin one week and white lidded bin the next. Food recycling will continue to be collected weekly.

You will be able to find out when you will receive your new bins from the end of October at www.bexley.gov.uk/recycling-changes

You can also receive further updates and information by signing up to receive our email recycling newsletter at <https://www.bexley.gov.uk/stay-informed-about-subjects-you-choose>

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