

Inside...
A chance to
win a huge
£500
cash prize!

Your new festive guide to bin collections and recycling!



Visit us at www.recyclebwd.org



*Dear Resident,
Season's greetings!*

As a Council, we're on a mission to reduce waste, save money and the planet. This includes doing more things digitally.

We've got some fantastic websites that are bursting with everything you need to know.

You can always check your bin collection date at mybins.blackburn.gov.uk by simply entering your postcode.

To find out more about recycling, head over to recyclebwd.org which includes a kids zone to keep the little ones entertained and educated too.

Whilst you're there, please be sure to sign-up to our email subscriptions, so we can keep you up to date on all things waste and recycling.

Thank you for recycling this festive season!

Best wishes,

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council



Be smart and **sign-up now** for your waste and recycling updates

We're going digital!

Visit recyclebwd.org to enter your email address and be in with a chance to win £500 to spend.

If you sign up to receive waste and recycling notifications from us by Friday 20 December, you will be entered into a draw with a chance to win a huge £500 cash prize!

Enter using this QR code or by visiting recyclebwd.org

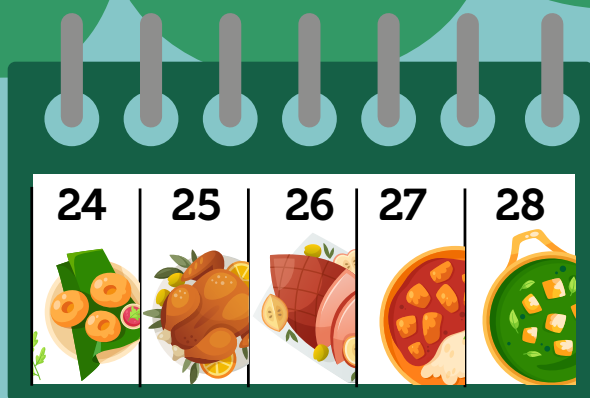
The winner will be announced in January, meaning you could start the New Year with a bang!

**WIN
£500
cash!!**

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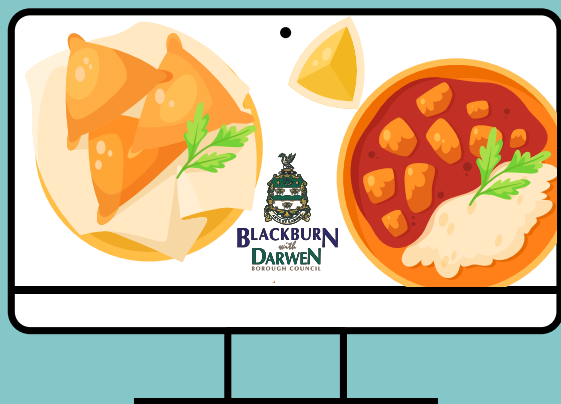


Save money this Christmas Think Food, Stop Waste!



Plan your
meals to
reduce waste

Love your leftovers!



Check out our website to see different suggestions for your festive leftovers.

Do you have some fantastic leftover recipes that you'd like to share with others? If so, we'd love to see them! Submit them by email to:

cleansing@blackburn.gov.uk



Check the best before dates

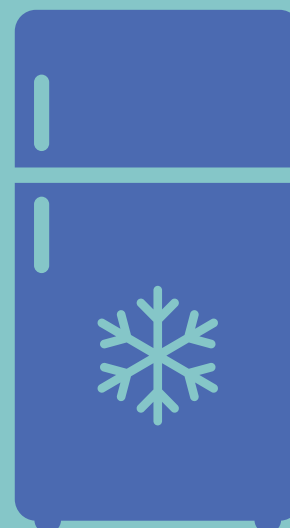


Did you
know?

You can still eat
food after its best
before date!

The best before date is about food quality. After the date listed on a product, the food will be safe to eat but may not be at its best. You shouldn't eat food after its use by date.

Freeze and reuse



Freeze your leftovers for a quick and easy meal when time is tight.

Food Waste collections are coming....

From April 2025, we'll be collecting food waste from some areas in the borough.

And from June 2026, everyone across the borough will need to present their food waste for collection.

To collect your food waste, you'll receive:



Did you know?

The average amount of food waste found in your burgundy bin accounts for 44% of it! Please help us reduce this by utilising our top tips.

44%

What goes into the food waste caddy?



This is a **formal notice** issued by **Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council** pursuant to **section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990** requiring you as an occupier of the premises in the Council's area, to place correctly any household waste for collection in the permitted receptacles and to place the receptacles for the purpose of avoiding nuisance or detriment to the amenities of the area. **Section 34(2a)** of the **Environmental Protection Act 1990** imposes a duty on the occupier of any domestic property to take all such measures available to him/her as are reasonable in the circumstances, to ensure that any transfer by him/her of household waste produced on the property is only to an authorised person or to a person for authorised transport purposes.

Christmas tree, oh Christmas tree!

If you have a real Christmas tree, you can dispose of it correctly by using a number of options:

- Your local Household Waste Recycling Centre for composting, you can find the details of them later on this leaflet.
- Bulky Waste Collection - We can pick up your tree from your door for just £750. Scan the QR code to book, or visit our website!
- Let East Lancashire Hospice recycle your Christmas tree and help raise funds for the hospice, with a £8 donation. Trees will be chipped and repurposed into mulch. Collection will be the weekend of the 11th and 12th of January 2025.
- For more information and to book, head to their website: eastlancshospice.org.uk or, scan the QR code.



Did you know?..

Last year in the UK
over 1,200 fires
were caused by batteries
being thrown in waste bins!

Our team even had a scary situation back in March when their wagon load caught fire!
Please don't put batteries in your bin.

You can leave small electrical items (including vapes) in a carrier bag next to your blue or grey recycling bin on collection day and we will pick them up.

If we leave your electrical item behind, this means we are already at full capacity. But you can put it out the next week or take it to your nearest household waste recycling centre.



**PLEASE
DON'T PUT
BATTERIES
IN YOUR
BIN**



To find out how to correctly dispose of your unwanted electrical items, visit: recyclebwd.org/electricalrecycling

Your household waste recycling centre (HWRC) opening times



You can dispose of large items at these two centres, but please remember to separate out your recyclables before you go – such as wood, metal and electricals.

Blackburn, George Street West, BB2 1PQ
(closed Wednesdays)

Darwen, Spring Vale Road, BB3 2EP
(closed Tuesdays)

The sites are open six days a week except **Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day** at the following times:

8am – 5pm – Oct 1 – Mar 31
8am – 7pm – Apr 1 – Sept 30

Did you know?..

when your bins are collected over Christmas and New Year ?

Scan the QR code now to check your calendar and see when your bins will be emptied over the festive period or visit mybins.blackburn.gov.uk

Yearly bin calendars were also posted to all homes across the borough in July.

Important: New bins cost money, so make sure you keep yours in your yard and not the back street.



So, what goes where?



BLUE BIN

CLEAN, DRY
CARDBOARD &
PAPER ONLY



GREY BIN

CLEAN
PLASTIC
CONTAINERS,
CANS, BOTTLES
& JARS

Please
rinse and
squash!



BURGUNDY BIN

FOOD WASTE,
NAPPIES,
POLYSTYRENE,
PLASTIC BAGS
& GENERAL
WASTE

Missed bins

If a bin has been missed, this can be quickly reported online. Visit blackburn.gov.uk/waste and click the 'bins' button.

Contaminated bins

We can't empty contaminated bins unless you want to take up a 'fresh start' service, which costs £7.50 for blue, brown or grey bins only.

This can be booked at blackburn.gov.uk/contaminated-bin Or, you can remove the contaminated rubbish yourself for free!



If you need a new burgundy bin, you can order one for £10 by scanning this QR code.



Spend more time in your garden

From
£40
per year,
with early bird
sign up

Sign-up
between
03 December
and **31 January**
to save **£5!**



**BROWN
BIN**

WIN!

Plus, subscribe before February 1st 2025 and you could
have your brown bin emptied for free for a whole year!
Follow the QR code to find out more.

Register now at
www.blackburn.gov.uk/garden-waste