

## Recycling . . . . .



- Make sure you make full use of the Council's recycling facilities. Door to Door collections are available in many areas and there are 36 Neighbourhood Recycling Centres, for glass, cans & paper. There is also a Re-use & Recycling centre at Farthinghoe. Contact us for more information.

- Used printer cartridges can often be returned to the manufacturer for recycling and most leading computer retailers now provide collection boxes or freepost envelopes to send off cartridges.
- Old mobile phones that have been disconnected or are no longer in use can be taken for recycling to most mobile phone shops or can be posted free of charge to: CDM, Freepost SEA 10057, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT22 7BR.

## Composting . . . . .



- Compost your organic wastes at home in one of our half price home composting units, phone Environmental Services for more information.
- Use an old ice cream tub or similar container to store organic kitchen waste before putting it into your home composter.
- If you are on the Twin Bin Scheme, make sure you use your green bin for all your compostable green waste and cardboard.

## CONTACT US

For further information please call  
Environmental Services on . . . . .

**01327 322344**

or email us:

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visit our website:

**[www.southnorthants.gov.uk](http://www.southnorthants.gov.uk)**

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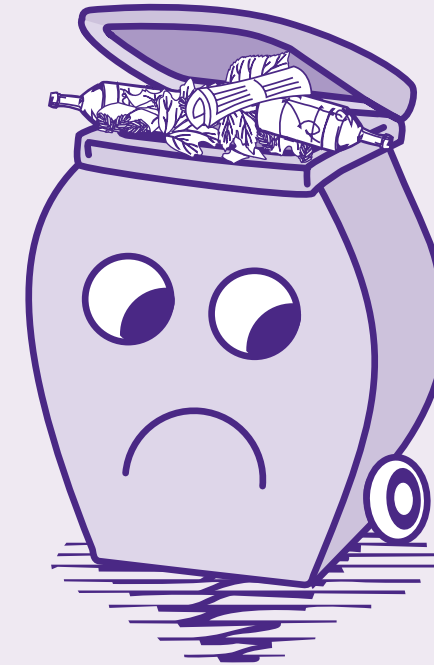
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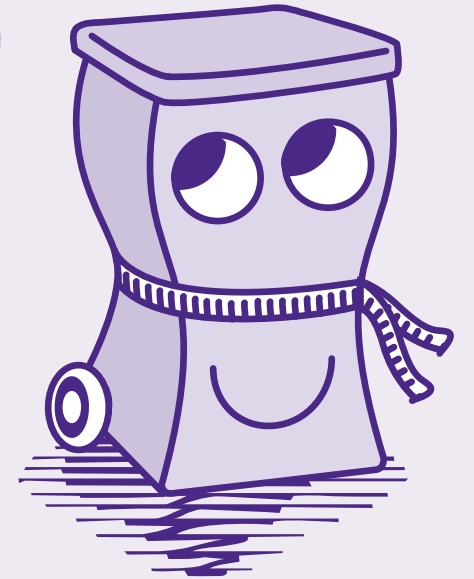
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## SLIM YOUR BIN

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To this



**Reduce waste and save money**

# SLIM YOUR BIN

## Your rubbish . . . .

Each household in South Northamptonshire produces about 1 tonne of rubbish every year.

But what happens to the rubbish once the council takes it away? The answer is that most of it is buried in holes in the ground.

We are rapidly running out of holes to bury our rubbish in and the ones that we are already using are causing pollution and problems for generations to come.

So how can **you** do your bit?

Over 60% of your rubbish can be recycled or composted.

**Follow these easy tips to help reduce the amount of waste you produce and maybe cut your shopping bills!**

## At the Shops . . . .

- Buy concentrated products or refill packs e.g. fabric softeners, washing powers and toiletries. They reduce waste and are cheaper!
- Choose products with less packaging and say 'no' to unnecessary plastic bags.
- Use a sturdy shopping bag rather than carrier bags, many supermarkets do 'bags for life.' Re-use unwanted carrier bags as bin liners.
- Try not to buy pre-packaged fruit and vegetables, loose products are often cheaper and you can pick out the best!
- Buy in bulk - you will get less packaging and it will work out cheaper too.
- Use rechargeable batteries instead of disposable ones and use mains power whenever you have a choice.
- Consider using re-usable nappies. Over 8 million disposable nappies are landfilled in the UK every year. Modern reusable nappies are simple and quick to use and can save you over £600 compared to the cost of disposables. Receive a 10% discount on reusable nappies by calling 01604 883777.



## At Home . . . .

- Reduce the amount of junk mail delivered to your home by up to 95%, by writing to the Mailing Preference Service at: Freepost 22, London, W1E 7EZ, or registering on line at [www.mpsonline.org](http://www.mpsonline.org).
- Donate unwanted toys, books, crockery, bed linen and bric-a-brac to local charity shops.
- Old furniture can be put to good use by many local charities. Contact us for details of your nearest charity.
- Cut down free newspapers, leaflets etc, by putting a notice on your front door stating that you do not wish to receive free newspapers, leaflets or catalogues.
- Use glass jars for storing leftovers or jam making.
- Avoid throw-away crockery, cutlery and cups for picnics and parties. Use washable plastic plates and cups instead, if china is not practical.

