

MAYOR OF LONDON

Part 2 - Reduction and Recycling Plan - April 2023 to March 2025

Borough:

How to use this Reduction and Recycling Plan (RRP) Template:

Please use the action tabs to provide an outline of your plans for the preparations you are making for the proposed changes from the RWS consultations. For each action, please outline what plans you are making for; Strategy, operations, communications and budget

Action 1 - Separate food waste from all household and commercial properties

Further to the Mayor's strategy, the government is proposing that separate food waste collections should be provided to all properties, including purpose built flats, flats above shops and commercial properties. The initial deadline for this has recently changed from 2023 to 2024.

Action 2 - Collection of the key dry recyclables from all household and commercial properties

In line with the Mayor's strategy, the government is proposing that all households (including purpose built flats and flats above shops) and commercial properties should receive a collection of the following materials; paper, cardboard, glass bottles and jars, metal tins and cans, plastic bottles and plastic tubs and trays (PTT).

Action 3 - Inclusion of the additional dry recyclables from all household and commercial properties

The government is proposing the collection from all households (including purpose built flats and flats above shops) and commercial premises of the following additional materials by 2023/24; aluminium foil, aluminium food trays, steel and aluminium aerosols, aluminium tubes (e.g. tomato puree); metal lids and food and drink cartons (ie tetrapak).

Furthermore, the government is proposing the collection of plastic films from all households by (including purpose built flats and flats above shops) by 2026/27 and from commercial premises by 2024/25.

Action 4 - Separate containers for dry recycling streams for all household and commercial properties

The government is proposing that each separate dry material is collected in a separate container (e.g. glass, plastic, metal etc), or as a secondary measure twin stream (a commingled container for glass, plastic and metal and a separate container for paper and cardboard). Boroughs who currently operate a fully commingled collection will need to complete an assessment to justify continuing with this service.

Action 5 - Provision of a free garden waste service

The government is proposing that a free garden waste service is provided in 240 litre containers, with fortnightly collection frequency throughout the growing season.

Action 6 - Implications of the Extended Producer Responsibility scheme (EPR) and Deposit Return Scheme (DRS)

The government intends to introduce EPR to cover the full cost of end of life treatment, to incentivise producers through the fees they pay to ensure the products placed on the market are recyclable and that any unnecessary packaging material is reduced (this includes minimising packaging and using refillable or reusable packaging).

The government is proposing the introduction of a DRS to encourage more people to recycle drinks containers, such as bottles and cans. The type of scheme is yet to be decided between an 'all in' scheme (including drinks containers up to 3L in size) or an 'on-the-go' scheme (drinks containers under 750ml in size and excluding those containers sold in multipacks)

