

Recycling Bin Collection Adjustment Pilot Survey

Tameside Council are testing a 12-week pilot scheme in four areas, which adjusts the current fortnightly collection of residential blue (paper and cardboard) and black co-mingled (plastic bottles, glass, cans and tin foil), recycling bins to collections once every three weeks. The pilot does not include any changes to the collection of the brown (food and garden) waste bin or the green non-recyclable waste bin. The purpose of this pilot scheme is to gather resident feedback and operational data to understand the feasibility of implementing this collection adjustment across the borough.

The total tonnage presented by residents for the blue paper/cardboard recycling bins has been in decline since 2017/18 with a low of approximately 6000 tonnes predicted for 2021/22. The total tonnage presented for the black co-mingled recycling bins is relatively static, although it has seen an increase during the disruption of the Covid-19 pandemic lockdowns. Data also shows that on average the presentation rates are 76.5% for blue bin rounds and 70% for black bin rounds.

We would appreciate it if you complete the short survey below and provided your feedback.

1. Please select the area which best describes where you live (Please select one option only).

- Haughton Green - Denton
- Hyde Central – Hyde
- Richmond Park – Dukinfield
- Ridge Hill – Stalybridge
- Other (Please state below)

2. How many people live in your household including yourself? (Please select one option only)

- One person
- Two people
- Three people
- Four people
- Five people
- Six people
- More than six people

3. What best describes your residence? (Please select one option only)

- Flat/apartment
- Bungalow
- Terraced house
- Semi-detached house
- Detached house
- Other (Please state below)

4. The pilot scheme of adjusted recycling bin collections has been operating in your area since the 1 August 2021, prior to this your blue paper/cardboard recycling bin collection was once every two weeks. **Prior to the pilot operating**, which of the following options best described your usual experience (Please select one option only):
- I put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection every two weeks and it was usually full/nearly full
 - I put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection every two weeks but it was usually not full
 - I put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection every other collection date (so every four weeks) because it was usually not full every two weeks
 - I hardly ever put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection
5. The pilot scheme of adjusted recycling bin collections has been operating in your area since the 1 August 2021, prior to this your black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin collection was once every two weeks. **Prior to the pilot operating**, which of the following options best described your usual experience (Please select one option only)
- I put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin out for collection every two weeks and it was usually full/nearly full
 - I put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin out for collection every two weeks but it was usually not full
 - I put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling out for collection every other collection date (so every four weeks) because it was usually not full every two weeks
 - I hardly ever put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin out for collection
6. During the pilot scheme of adjusted recycling bin collections that has been operating in your area since the 1 August 2021, your blue paper/cardboard recycling bin collection has been once every three weeks. Which of the following options best describes your experience during the pilot (Please select one option only):
- I put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection every three weeks and it is usually full/nearly full
 - I put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection every three weeks but it is usually not full
 - I put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection every other collection date (so every six weeks) because it is usually not full every three weeks
 - I hardly ever put my blue paper/cardboard recycling bin out for collection
7. During the pilot scheme of adjusted recycling bin collections that has been operating in your area since the 1 August 2021, your black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin collection has been once every three weeks. Which of the following options best describes your experience during the pilot (Please select one option only):
- I put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin out for collection every three weeks and it is usually full/nearly full
 - I put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin out for collection every three weeks but it is usually not full
 - I put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling out for collection every other collection date (so every six weeks) because it is usually not full every three weeks

- I hardly ever put my black co-mingled (glass, plastic bottles, cans and tin foil) recycling bin out for collection

8. Which of the statements below best describes your current approach towards recycling? (Please select one option only)

- I am not interested in recycling
- I am interested in recycling but struggle to find the time to do it
- I am interested in recycling and try to recycle as much as I can
- I recycle at every available opportunity

9. Please describe your experience during the pilot of the adjusted recycling bin collections below and provide any other comments below:

ABOUT YOU

We would like to ask some questions about you. This information will help the Council to improve its services. The information you provide will be kept entirely confidential, will be used for statistical and research purposes only and will be stored securely. If there are any questions you do not wish to answer, please move on to the next question.

10. Are you: (Please tick one box only)

- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to say
- Other (Please state below)

11. Is your gender identity the same as the sex you were assigned at birth?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

12. What is your age? (Please state)

13. What is your postcode? (Please state)

14. What is your ethnic group? (Please tick one box only)

White

- English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British
- Irish
- Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- Any other White background (please specify)

Mixed / Multiple Ethnic Groups

- White and Black Caribbean
- White and Black African
- White and Asian
- Any other Mixed / Multiple ethnic background (please specify)

Black / African / Caribbean / Black British

- African
- Caribbean
- Any other Black / African / Caribbean background (please specify)
- Any other Black / African / Caribbean background (please specify)

Asian / Asian British

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Chinese
- Any other Asian background (please specify)

Other ethnic group

- Arab
- Any other ethnic group (please specify)

15. What is your religion or belief? (Please tick one box only)

- Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations)
- Buddhist
- Jewish
- Sikh
- Hindu
- Muslim
- No religion
- Any other religion (please specify)

16. What is your sexual orientation? (Please tick one box only)

- Heterosexual / straight
- Gay or lesbian
- Bisexual
- Prefer not to say
- Prefer to self-describe
- Other sexual orientation (Please state below)

17. Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months? Include problems related to old age. (Please tick one box only)

- Yes, limited a lot
- Yes, limited a little
- No

18. Do you look after, or give any help or support to family members, friends, neighbours or others because of either, long-term physical or mental ill-health / disability or problems due to old age? (Please tick one box only)

- No
- Yes, 1-19 hours a week
- Yes, 20-49 hours a week
- Yes, 50 or more a week

19. Are you a member or ex-member of the armed forces? (Please tick one box only)

- Yes
- No

Prefer not to say

20. What is your marital status? (Please tick one box only)

- Single
- Married
- Civil Partnership
- Divorced
- Widowed
- Prefer not to say

21a. Are you pregnant, on maternity leave or returning from maternity leave?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

21b. If yes, are you:

- Pregnant
- On maternity leave
- Returning from maternity leave