

Save money by recycling

Reducing waste by recycling means less environmental impact and can save your business money.



Recycling isn't just good waste management practice – by reducing your weekly waste bill, you are making an economically sound business decision.

How recycling saves you money

By recycling 50 per cent of your waste, you can save as much as £500 per year. A business can make these savings because under the Landfill Tax scheme it costs more to send a bag of waste to landfill than to recycle that same bag. This means that if you choose to include recycling as part of your waste disposal arrangements you can enjoy substantial savings.

The Landfill Tax scheme

The Landfill Tax was introduced in October 1996 and is levied on waste deposited in a landfill site. From 1 April 2010 the rate of Landfill Tax will rise to £48 per tonne and is set to rise by £8 per tonne each year until at least 2013 when it is due to reach £72. The key objectives of the tax are to:

- Encourage waste producers to minimise the volume of waste generated
- Reduce the amount sent to landfill
- Encourage recycling

By choosing to recycle, a business can avoid the tax payable on their waste, thus saving money. The introduction of the tax has seen the amount of waste sent to landfill fall by around a third, accompanied by a similar increase in recycling.

We can recycle all...

- paper and card
- tins and cans
- food and drink cartons
- glass bottles and jars
- empty aerosol cans
- plastic bottles.

It is really easy to recycle in the Royal Borough; recycling is accepted co-mingled meaning you don't require separate containers around your office to collect different recyclable materials.

Did you know...?

The average office worker uses approximately 50 sheets of paper every day in the typical office. Recycling one tonne of paper can save 7,000 gallons of water, 17 trees, 380 gallons of oil, three cubic yards of landfill space and 4,000 kilowatts of energy.*

*Source: Envirowise

Did you know...?

Glass is the second largest component of commercial waste and recycling just one tonne of glass into new bottles and jars saves 315 kg of carbon dioxide* compared to making 1 tonne of glass from raw materials.

Ask us how we can collect your glass.

*Source: www.wasteonline.org.uk

If you would like to start recycling from your workplace please contact Commercial Waste and ask to speak to a Sales Adviser.

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