

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Policy for the use of containers on small vehicle black bag waste collection rounds

Background:

This Policy relates to approximately 3000 properties where the Council undertakes refuse collections using smaller caged tipper vehicles without bin lifts.

The council provides refuse collections to around 67,000 properties across the county borough, of which just over 3,000 are in outlying or difficult to access locations where the large waste vehicles used for wheeled bin collections cannot be used. In these areas the council provides black bags in which residents are required to present their refuse for collection. These collections are undertaken using smaller caged tipper vehicles which do not have bin lifts and waste has to be loaded manually.

Some residents on the smaller caged tipper vehicle rounds have been choosing to present their black bag waste for collection in containers, however these cannot always be emptied safely as the containers have to be emptied manually.

Storage between collections:

This policy is concerned with the presentation of residual waste for collection only, not the storage of waste between collections. Between collections, residents can store their bagged refuse in any way or container they see fit within the confines of their property.

Presentation of refuse for collections on small vehicle black bag waste collection rounds:

On small vehicle black bag waste collection rounds, residents must place their waste into black bags for collection;

Wheeled bins will not be provided to residents on small vehicle black bag collection rounds (residents on black bag collections are provided with black bags for waste presentation);

Where waste is put out for collection within containers on small vehicle black bag collection rounds then the waste will not be collected;

Wheeled bins currently in use by householders on small vehicle black bag collection rounds:

Any council wheeled bins already in circulation being used on small vehicle black bag waste collection rounds can be retained by residents within their property for storage between collections if they so wish. However, if they are placed out for collection both the waste and bin will be removed.

Presentation of recycling for collections:

This policy is concerned with residual waste only, not recyclable waste.

Residents are encouraged to present all food waste in the 'lockable' food waste bin for the weekly collection service.

Recyclables must be presented loose in the containers provided. There is no limit to the amount of recycling that can be presented for the weekly collection.

Implementation:

This policy is proposed to be implemented with effect from 1 April 2025.