



# Media Release

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## Waste and recycling collection dates over the Christmas period

Residents in the Chichester District are being advised that most of their waste and recycling collection dates will remain unchanged over the festive period.

General waste and recycling collections over Christmas will take place on the normal scheduled collection days. However, the Garden Recycling Service will pause on Friday 17 December and will start again on Monday 3 January 2022.

There will also be some slight changes to the clinical waste collections — all affected residents will be contacted directly.

General waste and recycling collections over Christmas and New Year are as follows:

Normal Collection Day	Pre-Christmas week	Christmas week	New Year week	Post-New Year week 1
Monday	13 Dec 2021	20 Dec 2021	27 Dec 2021 (bank holiday)	3 Jan 2022 (bank holiday)
Tuesday	14 Dec 2021	21 Dec 2021	28 Dec 2021	4 Jan 2022

			(bank holiday)	
Wednesday	15 Dec 2021	22 Dec 2021	29 Dec 2021	5 Jan 2022
Thursday	16 Dec 2021	23 Dec 2021	30 Dec 2021	6 Jan 2022
Friday	17 Dec 2021	24 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2021	7 Jan 2022

Residents can download and print out their own personalised waste, recycling and garden recycling collection dates by visiting:

[www.chichester.gov.uk/wastecollectioncalendar](http://www.chichester.gov.uk/wastecollectioncalendar)

Any extra waste from the holiday period will be picked up by collection crews on the first collection after Christmas. If residents have any extra recycling, they need to ensure that it is kept dry in a loosely tied black sack and placed next to their recycling bin on the day of collection. Please remember to flatten and fold down cardboard, and ensure the lid can close. Recycling needs to be clean, dry and loose, so close the lid to stop rain getting in. All polystyrene foam and polythene wrapping film should be removed and placed in the waste bin as this cannot be recycled.

A full A-Z of what can and can't be recycled can be found here:

[www.westsussex.gov.uk/land-waste-and-housing/waste-and-recycling/recycling-and-waste-prevention-in-west-sussex/a-to-z-of-recycling](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/land-waste-and-housing/waste-and-recycling/recycling-and-waste-prevention-in-west-sussex/a-to-z-of-recycling)

Residents can also dispose of their real Christmas trees using the St Wilfrid's Hospice charity collection scheme again this year. People can arrange to have their tree collected from their home in January by a volunteer in return for a donation to the hospice. For more information about this scheme, and to book a tree collection, visit: <https://stwh.co.uk/support-us/events/christmastrees> or call: **01243 755199**.

“Over Christmas, we tend to generate more waste than usual and so we are keen to help residents recycle as much as possible at this time of year,” says Councillor Penny Plant, Cabinet Member for Environment and Chichester Contract Services at Chichester District Council. “We have put together some tips for residents about

which items can and cannot be recycled. These can be found in the winter issue of Initiatives magazine and on our social media channels.

“Following the success of the tree collection scheme over the last couple of years, we are really pleased to be joining forces with St Wilfrid’s Hospice again to recycle as many Christmas trees as we can, while also supporting a fantastic cause.

“If you are not signed up to our Garden Recycling Service, this is a great way to ensure that your Christmas tree is recycled whilst helping to raise vital funds for the hospice charity.”