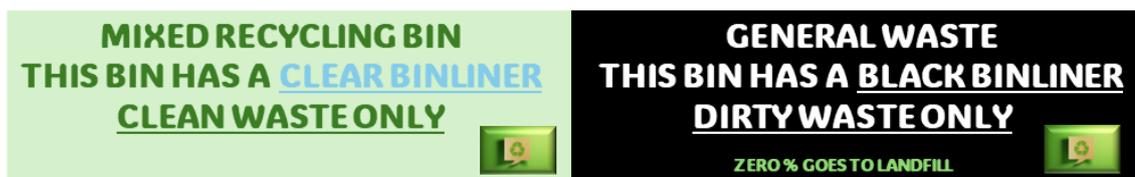


Newnham College – Waste Policy v 2 (updated April 2024)

Introduction:

The College has two main waste contractors:

1. **The City Council** for the waste and recycling from the six postgraduates houses, 27 Grange Road, 2 Clare Road and 2a Clare Road. The City Council waste is divided into three waste streams, mixed recycling (paper, cardboard, glass, metal and plastic), other non-recycled waste, and food waste (opt in food caddies in kitchens).
2. **Ellgia** for the main College site, RFB and Grange Garden Flats. There are three waste streams clean waste, dirty waste and food waste (opt in food caddies in student kitchens & generated by the kitchen and catering staff).



- ✓ TIN FOIL
- ✓ ALL PLASTICS BOTTLES, LIDS, POTS TUBS AND TRAYS
- ✓ DRINKS CANS
- ✓ PAPER AND CARBOARD
- ✓ FOOD TINS
- ✓ PLASTIC BAGS
- ✓ EMPTY AEROSOLS
- ✓ CARTONS (EG TETRA PAKS)
- ✓ PLASTIC FILM AND WRAPPING WITHOUT A SHINY FOIL LAYER INSIDE
- ✓ ENVELOPES WITH OR WITHOUT WINDOWS



- ✓ GLASS (NOT BROKEN GLASS)
- ✓ CRISP PACKETS
- ✓ STYROFOAM OR POLYSTYRENE BOXES
- ✓ GREASY PAPER
- ✓ GREASY CARDBOARD
- ✓ WET ITEMS
- ✓ FOOD DEBRIS
- ✓ CLOTHING / TEXTILES
- ✓ ANY BLACK PLASTIC
- ✓ PILL PACKETS
- ✓ PLATES OR CROCKERY
- ✓ PENS AND SATIONARY
- ✓ PRINGLE TUBES
- ✓ SINGLE USE COFFEE CUPS



VERSION 2 UPDATED MARCH 2024 IN LINE WITH NEW WASTE CONTRACTOR

Ellgia are committed to providing “zero to landfill” solutions and have invested significantly in turning waste that cannot be recycled into waste derived fuel products.

Ellgia have not only developed processing capability to enable waste to be converted to a useable fuel but have also invested in long term UK based offtake partnerships to ensure the movement of materials is kept to an absolute minimum. **The Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF) and Residual Derived Fuel (RDF) is made to the highest specifications to enable them to direct to key facilities to replace existing fossil fuels or to energy recovery facilities to produce electricity supplying heat and power to thousands of homes across the UK.**

Ellgia say “Our “Duty of Care” is so much more than just a requirement to accurately document and audit the journey of waste. We have a duty of care to our environment and our planet in reducing the impact of our activities and driving solutions that meet and exceed the legislative requirements.”

Responsibility:

It is the responsibility of the College to ensure that adequate waste facilities and processes are in place to collect and dispose of the waste. The College will provide information and encourage all users to recycle responsibly.

All waste should be rinsed clean and separated into the three waste streams as shown above, at the point that it is generated. It is the responsibility of those resident in College to do this.

Process:

- All bedrooms have one bin for the disposal of dirty waste (black bags).
- The students are responsible for emptying their own bedroom bins into the outside bins (sited in the carparks).
- The student communal kitchens all have dirty and clean waste bins and the option to “opt into” a food composting scheme)
- More information is available on the College website: <https://newn.cam.ac.uk/student-life/student-information/a-z-student-handbook/>

Food Waste from student kitchens:

Main site and RFB: Food waste bins located in the Coach House bin store (near the Pfeiffer Arch), Clough Car Park and Peile Car Park. The Postgraduate houses have “domestic” wheely bins for this waste.

Any students wishing to compost food waste should contact the Housekeeping Office and request a composting bin. The student who requested this composting bin will take responsibility for this bin, emptying it regularly, washing it out and returning it to the Housekeeping Office when they are no longer in residence (unless another student is willing to take over the responsibility). If composting bins in student kitchens are found to be neglected, the College cleaning staff will removed.

Collections:

The waste from the College is collected on a daily basis from the various locations around the main site, and weekly from the outside properties, including the postgraduate houses and commercial properties.

There are four more streams of waste managed by other companies:

- I. Compostable waste (arising from the maintenance of the grounds and garden)
- II. Compostable waste (arising from Vegware in the Iris Café)
- III. Batteries
- IV. Electrical Items

Non-Recyclable Materials:

- Batteries: These should be taken to the battery recycling bin in the Porters’ Lodge
- Electrical items: If these are personal property they should be disposed of off-site by the resident.