## The Management of Waste & Litter in Windsor

## Litter management in Windsor

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The centre of the town also has a deep cleanse twice a year to remove any stains on the pavements and to ensure that it is kept to a high standard of cleanliness. The first cleanse this year will take place in the week prior to the Coronation celebrations, on 6<sup>th</sup> May and the Coronation Concert taking place in Windsor, on 7<sup>th</sup> May.

Roads outside of the town centre have a variety of frequencies of cleansing. In general, roads on the edge of the town centre, will have a weekly mechanical cleanse and litter pick, residential roads have a six weekly litter pick and mechanical cleanse and roads in more rural areas will have a three monthly or annual litter pick and cleanse. If there is a concern that a road is littered or requires cleansing, this can be reported using the council's report-it form, for remedial work to be carried out to bring it back to standard. The report it form can be found here: <u>Report a problem with street</u> <u>cleaning | Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead (rbwm.gov.uk)</u>

Mechanical cleansing is not carried out on the gritting route if gritting has taken place due to cold winter weather, as it will remove the grit that has been spread. This can disrupt the schedule for cleansing, particularly in periods of prolonged cold weather.

Town centre parks in Windsor also have daily litter picking and litter bin emptying to ensure that they are kept clean and tidy.

# Household waste collections

Household waste collections in central Windsor take place on a Tuesday and Thursday. All collections from a property take place on the same day, with all recycling and food waste collections taking place weekly and rubbish collections being either weekly or fortnightly. If there is space for bins to be stored off the pavement, then this is the preferred collection method, as it contains the rubbish and provides space for storage outside. If there is no space for bins, in flats above shops or properties that open straight on to the pavement, then collection is provided from sacks. Sacks are provided to these properties, which have Royal Borough branding on them, so they can be easily identified for collection. All residents are asked to place their bins or sacks out for ready for collection from 7am on their collection day or as late as possible the evening before.

# Collection from businesses

All businesses have a Duty Of Care to dispose of their waste and recycling responsibly through a licensed waste carrier or by taking their waste and recycling to a licensed waste site. This means that businesses need to be able to show their trade waste agreement or evidence that they have taken their waste to a licensed site for disposal. Most businesses will have a trade waste agreement in place, with regular collections. There are a range of operators servicing businesses in Windsor. Businesses will also have the option of collections from bins, where there is space available to store them, or a sack collection, where space for bins is not available. Businesses will also have the option of a range of frequencies for collection of their waste and recycling from daily to weekly or

fortnightly collections. If there is a sack collection it may be possible to place these out as required. Businesses should only place their waste and recycling out ready for collection and bins and sacks should not be left permanently on the highway.

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