

## Replacement of black wheely bins

South Glos Council waste management team have informed us that the programme to replace the existing 240l black wheely bins with smaller 140l ones will start on 12th January and will take around 12 weeks. We do not yet know when within this period they will be in Oldbury.

The bin exchange will happen by round/collection route. It is a four-step process :

1. The old bins will be emptied as normal.
2. A de-wheeling crew will follow, knocking the wheels off the old bins and stacking them.
3. A bin collection crew will follow with a box van and collect the stacks of bins.
4. A bin delivery crew will start at the opposite end of the round delivering new bins.

The old bins will be dismantled and all material recycled where possible. Any parts which cannot be recycled will be used to create energy. Around 1,378 tonnes of plastic will be recycled into new bins and other hard plastic containers; enough to fill 69 articulated lorries.

Some households with special circumstances will be able to keep their existing 240l bin(s). All households with approved extra capacity should have been sent new pink 'approved' stickers. Any bin with a pink sticker will not be changed to a smaller one.

If you feel you will struggle with the constraint of the smaller bin, you can find out how to request extra capacity at <http://www.southglos.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/recycling-rubbish-and-waste/special-circumstances/> or by calling 01454 868000.

If you have any questions, try the FAQ list :

<http://www.southglos.gov.uk/documents/FAQs-Jan-2018-1.pdf>