

# ***London Borough of Bexley***

## ***News Release***

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### **CONFIRMATION OF PLANS FOR ROLL-OUT OF NEW GREEN WASTE SERVICES**

The roll-out of Bexley's new green waste services is now underway, with 20,000 residents set to receive a new larger brown bin by 5 October.

Delivery of the 75,000 containers that will be used for the Council's new free food recycling collection service is on schedule and those that have received the containers can put them out for collection the following week. All the food recycling containers will be delivered as planned by the end of this month.

Demand for the new, larger garden waste bins has been significantly above expectations, with almost 27,000 orders having been placed so far. The Council and its contractors are delivering the bins to residents on a 'first come, first served' basis.

The plan for fulfilling the orders received so far is as follows -

<i>Order date</i>	<i>Delivery date</i>	<i>Charging period</i>
2 June – 19 July	4-15 September	October 2015 - September 2016
20 July – 22 August	22 September – 5 October	October 2015 – September 2016
23 August onwards	From 6 or 14 October	November 2015 – October 2016

- The first 10,000 orders are already underway and will be delivered by 15 September.
- The second 10,000 orders will be delivered by 5 October
- The next 15,000 bins will be delivered from 6 or 14 October

Residents who receive their bins from 6 October onwards will not be charged for the second year of the service until November 2016.

All the borough's 'old' brown waste bins are being removed this month for recycling. Residents who have not yet received their new bin are asked to either store their garden waste until their new bin arrives, or to take it to the Reuse and Recycling

Centres at Crayford or Foots Cray.

The new bins will start to be collected in your 'recycling only' week (the opposite week to your residual waste green wheeled bin) from the week beginning 14 September.

A Council spokesman said: "We would like to thank so many people for signing up to the new garden waste service and wanted to let them know that the first 20,000 bins ordered will be delivered by 5 October.

"The team is managing the collection and delivery of some 175,000 bins this month and next and we are working hard with our contractor Serco to ensure that the new service runs as smoothly as possible."

The crews delivering the new bins are working seven days a week.

Please visit the Council's website for further information or to report the fact that the new bin you ordered is not delivered to the revised timetable shown above.

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