

SORT IT PLUS trials

TDA2 SP5

- please tell us what you think

1. Overall are the new SORT IT PLUS collections for recycling and refuse better or worse than the previous waste collection arrangements?

- Much better Better Neither better nor worse Worse Much worse

2. How easy or difficult have you found it to separate your waste into the different categories?

- Easy Fairly easy Neither easy nor difficult Fairly difficult Difficult

3. Are you now recycling:

- A lot more More About the same Less

4. Do you put food waste out in your brown bin for recycling?

- Yes, always Yes, sometimes No

5. Please answer 5A if you use a wheeled bin or 5B if you use sacks for refuse collections.

5A. Generally, how full has your wheeled bin for refuse been?

- Less than half full Half full Three-quarters full Full Full bin with extra sacks

5B. How many full refuse sacks do you normally have every fortnight?

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 or more

6. Do you have extra refuse or more sacks than are accepted on refuse collections?

- No Yes, occasionally Yes, often

If yes, what do you do with extra refuse?

- Take to Household Waste Recycling Centre Save for next collection
 Other - please state:

7. Were the leaflets with service details clear and did they provide enough information?

- Yes No

8. Any problems or further comments on the SORT IT PLUS collections:

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9. What materials, if any, remaining in your refuse cause you concern (please tick UP TO 3 or none)?.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic trays (e.g. fruit, sandwiches) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other plastic film and sheet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic pots (e.g. yoghurt) | <input type="checkbox"/> Drinks cartons/Tetra Pak |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plastics tubs (e.g. margarine) | <input type="checkbox"/> Household batteries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Polystyrene packaging | <input type="checkbox"/> Printer toner cartridges |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carrier bags | <input type="checkbox"/> Small electrical appliances |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state) | |

10. How could the recycling collections for cardboard and plastic bottles be improved (tick top 1 or 2)?

- Different colour box
- Larger collection container
- Reusable sack instead of box
- Lid for box
- Other (please state)
- Net cover for boxes
- More frequent collections
- Collect in same box as other materials
- No need to improve trial collections

11. Adding cardboard and plastic bottles increases the cost of recycling collection. If it was not affordable to collect all recyclables and food waste weekly and your local Council had to choose, which ONE of the following would you prefer?

EITHER:

Weekly collection of food, paper, glass and cans but not collect plastic bottles and cardboard

OR:

Weekly food waste collections and fortnightly collections for all recyclables (including plastic bottles and cardboard along with paper, glass and cans)

Please answer as many of the following questions as possible, which will be used only for statistical and equalities monitoring purposes.

12. Please provide your: postcode: house number/name:

13. How many people (adults and children) are in your household?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 or more

14. Are you: Male Female

15. What age are you: 16 – 29 30 – 44 45 – 59 60 or over

16. Do you consider yourself to belong to a Black or Ethnic Minority group? Yes No

17. Do you consider yourself to have a longstanding disability? Yes No

If you wish to enter prize draw, please provide name and full address:

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Please return by 6th August 2008. Using the free pre-paid envelope provided or send with a stamp to: Somerset Waste Partnership - Trials Survey, c/o Environment Department, County Hall, TAUNTON TA1 4DY