

Live Simply March - Tips from St. Joseph's Dinnington.

Recycle, Repair, Reuse

Is Recycling worth it? Yes it is!!!!!!!!!!!!

Find out more here <https://www.recyclingbins.co.uk/recycling-facts/>

Recycling saves energy and money

Recycling cardboard takes **75% less energy** and recycling plastic takes **88% less energy** than making it from raw materials

Recycling glass takes **70% less energy** and recycling aluminium takes **95% less energy** than making them from raw materials. Glass and aluminium are 100% recyclable and can be recycled endlessly

Recycling paper takes **60% less energy** than making it from raw materials. Each tonne of recycled paper saves 380 gallons of oil, 7000 gallons of water and 3 cubic meters of landfill space and 17 trees.

Recycling Saves Resources

Every time we throw away something that can be recycled we are wasting the planet's resources. The planet's resources are finite and are running out; one simple solution is to recycle everything that can be used again. There is same amount of gold in 41 mobile phones as 1 tonne of ore and yet only 21% of phones are recycled!

Recycling reduces pollution

Recycling reduces plastic in the sea and in the environment

Burning waste creates smoke and carbon dioxide pollution

Burning trees creates smoke and carbon dioxide pollution

Recycling reduces deforestation and preserves homes for wildlife

Every tree that is cut down destroys homes for birds, insects, fungi etc

Recycling creates jobs

Recycling is an industry that creates millions of jobs

How you can help the council to recycle

Put the right thing in the right bin

We can help make the council to make recycling more efficient by putting the right thing in the right bin. Putting things in the wrong bin costs councils and therefore the taxpayer money, for example items placed in the wrong bins cost Rotherham Council £1.5million last year. Wagon loads of waste are contaminated and have to be sent to landfill every year.

Many more things can be recycled than you think.

For comprehensive information about where to recycle specific items check out this website

<https://www.recyclenow.com/>

Some surprises - Leave the tops **on** plastic bottles, leave the pump **on** cleaning product bottles but take the pump **off** hand wash and detergent bottles

Specialist recycling

Blister Packs can be recycled at Superdrug stores.

All oral care products Toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes, floss containers, packaging etc can be recycled. Check out the collection points here

<https://www.recyclenow.com/recycle-an-item/toothpaste-tubes#locator>

Bikes - donate bikes to Africa, the nearest drop off point is Halfords Queens Rd Sheffield

Batteries most supermarkets Tesco, Aldi, Sainsbury's Morrison's

Light bulbs Dumpit site

Electrical Goods , first try to give, donate, or sell them or take them to the Dumpit Site

Phones first try to give, donate, or sell them

Computers, laptops - Aspire in Sheffield is a social enterprise that refurbishes and resells computers or they recycle the components if they are beyond repair. They provide jobs for vulnerable and socially excluded people <https://www.aspire-sheffield.co.uk/>

Sell or Donate your unwanted Stuff

Have a cupboard/ garage/ general clear out of things you don't use or need anymore

Sell things on:-

EBay
Facebook Marketplace
Gumtree
Dinnington Forum

Donate things :-

Charity Shops
Freecycle

If you need help, ask a family member or friend.

Have Stuff Repaired Tried and tested repair shops:- (these are specific to Dinnington- can you find local shops and resources for repair and upcycling and share the information?)

Shoes and Leather Goods The Village Gent (was Tom Cobblers) Laughton Rd Dinnington

Computers Dave's Computer Shop Laughton Rd Dinnington

Washing Machines, Fridges, Dishwashers, Tumble dryers, Vacuum Cleaners

Impact UK Laughton Rd Dinnington

Clothes Alterations The Fabric Shop Laughton Rd Dinnington

Buy Products made from recycled Materials

Paper, envelopes, toilet paper, kitchen roll, clothes, Garden Furniture etc.