

# Why does recycling matter?

For every item we recycle, we are reducing the need to use raw materials, which helps save energy and precious resources. It only takes a quarter of the energy to make a plastic bottle from recycled plastic as from new materials.

Metal and glass packaging can be recycled endlessly, without loss of quality. Imagine how much energy you could save!



## Household waste recycling centres

Please take any other recyclable items, which are not collected at the kerbside, to a household waste recycling centre. Visit [www.durham.gov.uk/hwrc](http://www.durham.gov.uk/hwrc) to find your nearest centre and what you can recycle and dispose of there.

# Recycling Matters

## Where do the things you recycle end up?



Here,

here

and here!

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# Bin it right

## A guide to what you can put in your recycling bin and box

**Recycling Bin**

**Plastic pots, tubs, trays and bottles**

Wash and squash plastic bottles and replace lids (except pumps). Metal only lids and caps can also be recycled in your bin.

Place all clean, dry items loose in to your bin. Do not bag!

**Cartons, cans, aerosols and foil**

**Paper and cardboard**

**Recycling Box**

**Glass bottles and jars**



Please do not put any of these items in your recycling bin or box

- ✗ Black bags / liners / black plastic
- ✗ Carrier bags / bags for life
- ✗ Food
- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Clothes / shoes / textiles
- ✗ Plastic bags / wrapping / film
- ✗ Crisp packets / sweet and biscuit wrappers
- ✗ Kitchen roll / tissues / wipes
- ✗ Scrap metal / wood / electricals
- ✗ Batteries / Light bulbs
- ✗ Polystyrene / bubble wrap