

Commercial use of public bins

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Recycling Bring Banks – paper and card	We have experienced a good deal of abuse of these bins by the trade, particularly in the form of disposal of the local newspapers (although we are not aware of the source).	Weekly collection. If required a separate ad-hoc collection can be put on but this will generally mean that this will be landfilled due to the inability to provide the correct vehicle	<p>We had a problem in Albion Street car Park, Broadstairs with local business using the bins as excess for trade card board. All waste agreements checked and in order. No longer a problem.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Peters Park Road car park, Braodstairs • St Mildreds Bay car park, Westgate
Recycling Bring Banks – glass	Glass recycling is operated by a contractor at nil cost to the authority – any abuse of these facilities in terms of contamination and/or commercial use would be at the risk of the contractor	The contractor collects these when full	<p>N/A</p> <p>Enforcement had problems with bags of glass being left by the glass bank in Cottage Car Park, Margate. We believe it is local businesses adjacent to the car park. All trade waste agreements have been checked and are in order. We believe excess glass is being</p>

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			placed by the bins. This also happens at other locations and was condoned at one time as it increased the council's recycling rates
Recycling Bring Banks – tins and cans	There appears to be very little abuse of these by the trade	Fortnightly collection	N/A
Recycling Bring Banks - General	There is a general issue of trade waste being tipped around the bins and/or the bins being contaminated by waste		This is a particular problem in supermarket car parks where a number of these bins are placed
Large waste bins for beach users	<p>Significant amounts of waste from local take-aways are being put into the bins. This is a relatively grey area – local traders should and usually do provide bins in their immediate vicinity but once the customer leaves the vicinity this waste effectively becomes litter waste which the authority should collect.</p> <p>Also some of the more discreet beach bins experience disposal of trade waste in the evenings</p>		<p>This is a grey area as most of the seafront fast food businesses do have bins for packaging / food eaten outside their premises but once the customer walks along the seafront, or goes onto the beach, they will put said packaging into bins provided by TDC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margate Harbour • Joss Bay • Walpole Bay

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Large waste bins for residents – on private property	These bins attract commercial waste either with or usually without the agreement of the residents		Enforcement would take action if required but this can be difficult to identify.
Large waste bins for residents – on-street bins	<p>A number of 1280 litre waste bins are placed on the street for the use of nearby residents, however these see a very high level of abuse by the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensed waste carriers who refuse to pay for legal tipping • Unlicensed waste carriers who are unable to pay for legal tipping • Local shops and businesses who refuse to pay for waste disposal 		<p>Athlestan Road – regularly used for builders waste</p> <p>We monitor bins and have prosecuted builders for fly tipping. Problem is, if rubbish is bagged it is not technically fly tipping if placed in bins. If we are able to identify builder we will prosecute for trade waste offences.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athlestan Road – regularly used for builders waste • First Avenue, Margate • Lewis Crescent, Margate • Edgar Road, Margate • Garfield Road, Margate • Hatfeild Road, Margate • Kingswood Heights, Broad Street, Ramsgate • Dalby Square, Cliftonville

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Bulky Waste Collections	<p>In the Cliftonville area we provide a full time vehicle and crew to clear away rubbish from the street which includes a wide range of commercial waste usually due to house clearances by landlords and residents</p>		<p>Cliftonville. We have prosecuted perpetrators found dumping furniture.</p>
Street Cleansing Service	<p>In areas which have a daily street cleansing regime the staff will collect all waste early in the morning on the street in order to ensure a clean environment at the start of the day. Many residents are on a weekly black sack collection for their waste and often simply place their bags out when they think their collection day is, only to be collected by the street cleaning crews. Unfortunately it is known that the crews also pick up trade waste as it is not clear to them which is which.</p> <p>Any black bags out on the day of the refuse collection will be picked up as it is not possible for the crews to differentiate (unless it is very obvious in terms of bag colour, weight or quantity when it becomes an enforcement issue).</p>		<p>Fast food outlets along Northdown Road.</p> <p>All trade waste agreements are regularly checked and all are generally in order. Bins are used for excess food waste. We try to monitor these outlets and use CCTV.</p>

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	<p>A number of charity shops leave or do not claim unwanted donations out on the street thus effectively becoming dumped rubbish which we are required to clear.</p>		<p>Street Scene have spoken to these charities shops and often it is members of the public leaving items outside shops for charity purposes and other members of the public rummaging these bags causing a mess before shop has had a chance to take into premises. CCTV has also monitored this occurring.</p>