

# Croughton Parish Council Public Forum

held prior to the opening of the Parish Council Meeting  
at 7.00 p.m. on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2013

Topic: Changes to SNC Recycling Scheme effective as from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013  
Presented by: Louise Gibney, Waste Management Officer, SNC

Cllr Tomlin welcomed Ms Gibney to the Public Forum and invited her to explain the changes.

Ms Gibney outlined the changes that will be made in 2 Stages:

**Stage 1: commencing first week in April 2013.**

- i) No Monday collection
- ii) Crews work a 4 day week
- iii) Place bin (s) out for collection at 7 a.m.

Reasons for change:

- i) Easier for the customer (Bank Holidays usually fall on Monday)
- ii) Mondays will be set aside for vehicle maintenance and training of crews.
- iii) Efficiency and flexibility, costs, mileage (no double backing at School times)
- iv) Expiry of lease on vehicle imminent. Opportunity to replace.
- iv) To improve the % recycling in the district with the introduction of Stage 2. Target 60-65%.

Collection Days: A third of the district will remain with the same collection day.

Note: Croughton's collection day remains unchanged - Thursday. Western area - purple calendar.

Information: All households will receive a flyer on the change, calendar. Tea Towels. Website. Talks to groups. Information on accepted waste embossed on Grey caddy.

**Stage 2: being introduced between June and August 2013.**

- i) Boxes no longer in use. Replaced by 3 bins - black, blue and green - + grey caddy
- ii) Blue Bin: (same capacity as black bin) For cardboard and all recyclables, including tetrapaks. Comingled recycling.
- iii) Small Grey kitchen caddy and larger Grey wheeled caddy: for food waste. SNC will provide one roll of 50 liners for the kitchen caddy. Thereafter, liners will be available to purchase from the Co-Op and other outlets.
- iv) Frequency of Collections: Large Grey caddy: weekly. Blue, Green and Black- fortnightly.  
Combinations: 1. Grey + Black                      2. Grey + Green + Blue

Benefits:

- i) Food Waste will be sent for processing to compost and then turned into energy.
- ii) Extended list of materials that households can put out for recycling. Battery Collection service planned for introduction in Autumn 2013.

Notes:

- i) Flats: Changes do not apply. No change to Blue and Grey.
- ii) Textiles: Collection continues with recycling sack.
- iii) Discretionary Assisted Collection Service: Continues to operate for those requesting help e.g. disabled, elderly.

From the Floor:

- i) Sorting: Waste is bulked up and taken for mechanical sorting. Human pickers sift out plastics.

Cllr Tomlin thanked Ms Gibney for explaining the changes, demonstrating the Grey caddies, and for giving out tea towels promoting the collection service.

The Public Forum ended at 7.25 p.m.