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Dear Parish Clerk,

We are writing to provide you with an update on the changes to household recycling collections in South Kesteven.

Residents are receiving information from South Kesteven District Council asking them to start using their new purple-lidded paper and card bin from next week (w/b January 8th).

This is because the new collection cycle means people must split their recycling from now on.

SKDC can arrange for a representative to visit your Parish Council to deliver a presentation on the changes if you wish.

The black bin collection for regular waste will continue each fortnight, exactly as it is now, while the alternative weeks will be split between the silver bin, for mixed, dry recyclables – and the new bin for dry paper and card. Householders now need to put the right thing in the right bin. If they put an incorrect item in the silver bin for their next recycling collection, SKDC's street scene crews will place helpful advisory tags on any that contain the wrong items, explaining which items are in the wrong bin to help people get used to the change.

From Monday February 5th, the Council will no longer empty any recycling bins with incorrect items in them. Householders should refer to the Right Thing Right Bin leaflet delivered to their homes – attached and available online – to ensure rejected bins are kept to a minimum. Anyone who remains unsure can request a home visit from our staff for assistance on this.

The purple-lidded bin is for dry, clean, waste paper and cardboard only. Shredded paper should go into the black bin, as the paper mill is unable to recycle it due to the cut fibres it contains. Any excess cardboard and paper left next to the bin will not be removed. Because of this, for those whose new bin is already full, SKDC suggests storing recycling for the next collection or taking it to the local Household Waste Recycling Centre. All other clean, dry recycling (such as glass bottles, plastic bottles, pots, tubs and trays, metal tins and cans), should be put loose in the silver bin, and not contained within plastic bags.

Additional bags of recycling can no longer be left next to either recycling bin, as these will not be collected.

The collection cycle is: Black Bin, Silver Bin, Black Bin, Purple-lidded bin – and so on.

Any questions should be directed to by email to recycling@southkesteven.gov.uk or call the recycling hotline on 01476 406544.

The calendar of collections is attached, and you can also use our postcode-checker to find your own collection days: www.southkesteven.gov.uk/bincollectionday

South Kesteven District Council will also have staff walking with bin crews to chat to householders on collection day and advise on putting the Right Thing in the Right Bin.

SKDC staff continue to work directly with residents who currently use sack collections rather than bins, and with those who use bins in communal areas. These householders should continue to put paper and card in with recycling on the new silver bin collection weeks. This is because the paper mill is not currently able to accept plastic sacks.

More details and information can be found online:

What goes in which bin: www.southkesteven.gov.uk/whichbin

Recycling centre details: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/recycling-waste

Collection dates: www.southkesteven.gov.uk/bincollectionday

How to cut down on the waste you produce: www.southkesteven.gov.uk/recyclinglist

Answers to frequently asked questions: www.southkesteven.gov.uk/PCFAQ

This project follows the successful implementation of this new collection across North Kesteven, Boston Borough, West Lindsey and East Lindsey District Councils.

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