



WEAR



REPAIR



DONATE



SWAP

**MORE and MORE of us
are giving our CLOTHES
and TEXTILES a new life.**



**MORE and
MORE PEOPLE
are giving
their CLOTHES
and TEXTILES
a new life.**

**It's good for the
environment and can
even make money for
you or your favourite
good causes, too.**



Find out how to make
your clothes last longer at
loveyourclothes.org.uk



DO: save up clean
unwanted clothes (even
worn-out ones) to pass
on or recycle separately.

Household Recycling Centres

They accept a range of items that you might have at home. Visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk, or if you live in Peterborough www.peterborough.gov.uk for a list of accepted items and their opening times. Please ensure you separate your waste before your visit and ask for help if you need it.

TOP TIPS

Take unwanted textiles to a charity shop, Household Recycling Centre or a clothing bank.

Get help repairing the clothes you still love at a Repair Café.
See repaircafe.org/en/visit to find one near you.

Keep a bag or a box in your wardrobe for any unwanted or worn-out clothes.



PASS ON OR SELL to friends, family, on Facebook, Gumtree, eBay or Frengle.

SWAP at a clothes swap event ('swish'), or take back to some shops to swap for a voucher, e.g. M&S 'shwopping'.



DONATE at charity shops, clothes recycling banks or Household Recycling Centres. Find your clothing bank locations at: www.recyclenow.com



DON'T: put clothes in any of your bins, even your recycling bin. They get wet or covered in glass and can't be recycled.



Counting the cost

Putting clothes and textiles in your bins costs your local authority money – money that could be spent on services in your local area.

- An average of **75 tonnes of clothes** are incorrectly put in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough recycling bins each month
- It costs taxpayers around **£10,000 a month** to remove and dispose of these clothes
- If they were passed on correctly, the clothes could raise approximately **£19,000 for charity** every month!

Other items we cannot accept in recycling bins...

Please do not put textiles and/or the items below in your recycling bin.

If you place the **wrong items** in your recycling bin, it may **not** be collected. Please check your council's website for more information about what is and isn't acceptable. When the wrong items are placed in the recycling, this reduces its quality and can cause large quantities of materials to be rejected and not recycled. This means your **Council Tax money is wasted**, instead of being spent on improving local services.



Wet wipes, nappies, sanitary towels and kitchen roll



Black bags of waste or recycling



Liquid remains



Food remains



Please place these items in your general waste bin. Kitchen roll and tissues can be home composted.

Do not use black bags for recycling. Please place recycling in your bin clean, dry and loose.

Please empty all liquids from bottles and place tops and lids back on before placing them in your recycling bin.

Please remove any food and rinse packaging to remove food residues before placing it in your recycling bin.