

Your Collection Dates

Collection days can be found by entering your postcode at www.kerbside.org.uk
 Godfrey Road, Pye Nest, Wakefield Road (MW1)

Kerbside (Calderdale)

recycle for your community

A Social Enterprise Helping People Into Work Through Recycling

COLLECTING AS NORMAL THROUGH CHRISTMAS

Please note that if your EcoBox is not at the kerbside before 8.30am it may be not be collected.

If your recycling doesn't fit in the box please put your materials for recycling in carrier bags next to the box (we recycle the bags too).

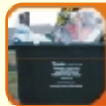
Apologies to those whose box we miss or fail to return.

Recycling for Business

We are now providing a recycling service to businesses. We can collect from your workplace (for a fee) or you can deliver materials to us (for free).

Our recycling service is easy and convenient and will help your business do its bit to protect the environment. We can arrange regular collections and will provide you with collection boxes or sacks. We can recycle paper, cardboard, glass, drink and food cans, plastic bottles and printer cartridges.

By signing up to our recycling service your business will also receive promotional posters to help set up the scheme; and certificates to show your customers that you are recycling.



FREE Recycling Box
Call 01422 881110
 or email: mail@kerbside.org.uk

Jack will recycle your bicycle at the alternative technology centre in Hebden Bridge.

Help keep the Polar Bears on ice and recycle with Kerbside. For every tonne recycled with Kerbside, you also save 1.2 tonnes of CO2.

December '08				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

January '09				
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12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

February '09				
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16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

March '09				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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April '09				
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May '09				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

Seasons Greetings from Kerbside

- Our target for survival was Christmas 2008 and we made it thanks to you!
- You kept using our BLACK box.
- You sent in DONATIONS and LETTERS
- YOU attended our Kerbside. CELEBRATION at the town hall and the COMMUNITY meeting at the Good Shepherd Church.
- You are wonderful and we are in this together.



John Large & Alan Ligocke

Everyone is supporting Kerbside by using the BLACK BOX rather than CMBC-Sita's GREEN BOX. The community has taken control of its own service.

Can We Carry On? - Yes we can

- At the meeting on the 29 November you said we must fight for the kerbside collections by 178 votes to 1. With your continued support we WILL.

What More Can You Do?

- Reject the GREEN box and write to the Council stating you will not use the GREEN box.
- Some are setting up collection points for unwanted GREEN boxes with the intention of making a point by delivering them to the Town Hall. After all they are council property. We can inform you of the collection points, but we can't touch the GREEN box without risking accusations of theft.
- Join our campaign team. We need your ideas and enthusiasm.
- Communicate with the Council. They need to know the community will not be ignored.
- Make a donation to Kerbside.
- Don't take recycling to the tip that can be recycled in your BLACK BOX.

Contacts:-

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 Email: mail@kerbside.org.uk. Campaign Email: savekerbside@kerbside.org.uk.
Calderdale Council, Chief Executive, Town Hall, Crossley Street, Halifax HX1 1UJ or chiefexecutive@calderdale.gov.uk or 01422 357257.

Box	Community Value	Economic Value
	Helps people who face barriers to employment into work	Ensures the full value goes into the local economy
	No added community benefits	Sends profit element to Sita, a subsidiary of the French waste giant Suez

See Back Page For Changes To Recycling Collections Days & Christmas Collections

Kerbside's Response To The Letters CMBC Has Sent You

Your recycling has assisted 27 unemployed people into work, 19 of whom were long-term unemployed. Give us your materials for recycling and we'll give you a chance to work.

The GOOD news - we won 2 awards!

Our longest serving employee Robert Elliott was given the Green Champion award at the Evening Courier Community and Environment Awards. For Rob, working at Kerbside is a vocation rather than just a job. Kerbside also won the best recycling initiative and the cheer from the audience is still ringing in our ears!



Cllr Reason writes "Kerbside in their wisdom decided that prior to coming to the table in the true spirit of negotiation, they would go out and attack SITA and the Local Authority with a leaflet campaign"

Kerbside's response is that we can prove we only started the campaign after all options on the negotiating table were exhausted.

Cllr Reason writes "The offer overall was extremely beneficial to ALL employees of Kerbside; (at a cost to SITA of 100k)"

Kerbside's response is that we can prove this is not correct. There may have been a £28k cost to Sita, but the offer meant we had to close down in Luddendenfoot and relocate to Halifax, which was not a suitable site for vulnerable people. In addition we would lose almost all of the activities that we use to provide progression to employment opportunities. We would not be able to create other revenue generating services and the variety of opportunity those opportunities provide at that site. We would be barred from applying for grant funding for new projects.

A council officer writes "the council did everything permitted within the procurement process"

Kerbside provided the best performing recycling service. In addition it helped CMBC meet the LAA targets it has agreed with Government relating to adults with learning disabilities and helping disadvantaged unemployed people progress to work. The council put a clause in the contract saying "seek to involve the voluntary sector". The Office of Government Commerce advises local authorities to consult with the voluntary sector before tendering, include social benefits clauses and ring fence supported employment opportunities. None of this happened.

A council officer writes "The final three bidders all included Kerbside in their proposals"

Just before the final tenders were due, 2 of the 3 tenderers informed us that they had been asked to remove Kerbside from their tenders. One tenderer had not been requested to do so. This resulted in Sita's tender being costed without Kerbside involvement resulting in Kerbside being offered the job at cost price, Sita wishing to retain their planned profit.

A council officer writes "Sita made several offers to Kerbside which would have safeguarded the employment of every Kerbside employee, including trainees"

Kerbside's response is that there are no safeguards in such an offer. Sita's offer meant the closure of our workplace and transfer to a site where the wide variety of training and work opportunities would be severely restricted. In addition the site was not assessed by the council for its suitability for vulnerable people.

A council officer writes "Sita will provide collections of glass, paper, cans and textiles"

Kerbside's response is that we've doing that for over 5 years.

A council officer writes "Sita will introduce collections of food waste and plastic bottles"

Kerbside could easily add plastic and food waste to collections if we were paid to, just like Sita.

- If we can win this fight it will be an important milestone for democracy in Calderdale. There is no accountability anymore.
- We are governed by a cabinet of 7 councillors who call the shots. Despite pretty much unanimous support from non-cabinet councillors the cabinet still will not act.
- The cabinet is made up of Councillors Baines (leader), Byrne, Cooper, Hall, Kirton, Reason and Whittaker. Councillor Reason holding the portfolio for recycling and adults with learning disabilities.

Presentation

What to do	Separation	✓	Put each material into a separate tied bag - i.e. a bag for paper, a bag for textiles, a bag for tin cans, a bag for each different colour of glass (green, clear and brown)
	EcoBox	✓	Put each bag in your EcoBox
	Collection	✓	Place your EcoBox at the kerbside prior to 8.30am on the collection day highlighted on the calendar on the back page
	Excess Material	✓	Please place beside your box
	Special Requests	✓	Contact us and we'll try to accommodate your request

Materials

Dos and Don'ts	Mobile Phones	✓	Mobile phones, accessories and packaging
	Paper	✓	Newspapers, magazines, phone directories, catalogues, junk mail, thin card, e.g. flattened cereal boxes
		X	Cardboard, egg boxes
	Glass	✓	Bottles, jars (food and drink)
		X	Broken glass, drinking glasses, window glass, pyrex or light bulbs
	Cans	✓	Food and drink cans, aluminium and steel - please wash all cans
		X	Dirty food cans, other metal items
	Textiles	✓	All re-usable clothing, curtains and towels
		X	Carpets, rugs or duvets
	Shoes	✓	Please tie pairs of shoes together
		X	Odd shoes
	Household Batteries	✓	Household batteries can be placed in the special collection bag or carrier bag, then placed in your EcoBox
X		Car batteries	

Please put your box out rain or shine, Kerbside say "Wet Paper is Fine"

Please note that if your EcoBox is not presented correctly, then our collectors have instructions not to empty it.