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We also highlight the final phase of Recycle More's new services, and express our regret for delayed collections while praising residents for their help.    We have our top 10 resolutions to do far better over the next 12 months with food, clothes, plastics and even with a baby, remind ourselves what are the options for that old Christmas tree, and finish off the festive chocolates and curvy crisps so we can recycle the tubs and tubes.    ***Welcome to a low-waste 2022 from Somerset Waste Partnership*** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | A picture containing person, wall, plant, standing  Description automatically generated   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Making the most of your garden**    The return of garden waste collections this week after their Christmas break signals the start of the growing year, from planting early food crops on an allotment to enjoying snowdrops and other new arrivals in your flower beds.    Check your dates for garden waste collections and all other kerbside services via My Collection Day at [**somersetwaste.gov.uk**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=3%3dITDSPV%26x%3dQ%266%3dYD%26E%3dIZDSL%26N%3dt1s4mJBI5_Hivb_Ss_Kcsh_Ur_Hivb_RxP9M.AHy50LqJE45Jw.01L.CD_4qks_D6%26v%3dF7ID6C.DwM%26uI%3dKXDRI&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) (tip: postcode gap AB12 3CD). You can also now start a new or additional 12-month garden waste collection at any time during the year via My Waste Services at [**somersetwaste.gov.uk**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=6%3dLXLVSZ%266%3dT%269%3dcL%26H%3dLdLVO%26R%3d24v8uMEMC_Klzj_Vv_Okvk_Yz_Klzj_U1TGP.DL78CPyMH8CMz.D9O.FH_Btnw_L9%26y%3dJELG0K.GzQ%263L%3dNbLUL&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt).    As you plan your low-waste garden year, take full advantage of the opportunities for reuse - one important step up the waste hierarchy from recycle - whether repurposing plastic bottles as mini-cloches, turning lolly sticks into plant name labels, or hanging CDs as bird scarers.    Looking ahead to what you want to grow, and when, means you can plan your family's future meals, whether tomatoes and lettuce for simple salads, carrots and potatoes for hotpots and casseroles, or fancy edible flowers to be colourful additions to summer picnics.    If you have a garden or allotment, make good use of food waste by composting all suitable materials, from veg peelings to tea leaves. Find useful help and a bargain compost bin offer here: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/home-composting**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=5%3dHW7UOY%26q%3dS%265%3db7%26G%3dHc7UK%26Q%3dmLALx_JhyU_Ur_NVug_Xk_JhyU_TwS2O.0Kr79OjLD7xLv.CtN.BG_wsjv_78yKr7-tKrH6OyA5C_wsjv_78%26u%3dIz3r7fKC96.FvP%26nK%3dJa7TH&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt).    Or - especially if "Veganuary" means you have been preparing extra veg - go one better by adding all that so-called "waste" to a freezer bag until you have enough to make tasty stock for soups, stews or sauces.    And why not cut waste even more? It is easy to check which plants can all be eaten from root to tip, and simple to regrow veg - herbs and garlic, celery and spring onions - from scraps on your kitchen windowsill. | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | A picture containing text, outdoor, sky, street  Description automatically generated   |  | | --- | | **Recycle More's final phase - got questions that need answers?**    With Recycle More's extended recycling collections heading fast to Sedgemoor and West Somerset, residents can get answers to all their questions online in three 7am-7pm Facebook "days" at [**facebook.com/somersetwaste**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=0%3dGRCZNT%26w%3dX%264%3dWC%26L%3dGXCZJ%26L%3dsQ0G4_Ogta_Zq_Ibzf_Sq_Ogta_YvN8T.v2nBrFzH.sFx_Ogta_YvtzJuI4B0xlP06_3xiq_CC%26t%3dD6PB4B.KuK%26t8q2lP%3dIVCYG&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt):  ■ Wednesday 26 January  ■ Friday 18 February  ■ Wednesday 16 March    This is the final stage of the Recycle More roll-out. The service is already helping 185,000 families recycle hundreds of tonnes more materials each week across Mendip, South Somerset and Taunton Deane. Full details: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/recycle-more**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=8%3dMSHXTU%262%3dV%260%3dXH%26J%3dMYHXP%26M%3dxOFH9_Mmuf_Xw_Jgxl_Tv_Mmuf_W2OCR.EG30DKuOI39O1.95Q.GC_8vor_HAD7sTyDu-HAJu_Mmuf_W2%266%3d3PENs6w3qV.070%26DE%3dUKWNS&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt).    As well as the new Bright Blue Bag - for plastic pots, tubs, trays and bottles; cans and tins; aluminium foil; and aerosols - every home will need to have the correct council recycle boxes and food waste bin (see the image below). Missing any boxes, or got the wrong containers? Order the right ones, free, now from My Waste Services at[**somersetwaste.gov.uk**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=3%3dOXGSVZ%261%3dQ%26B%3dcG%26E%3dOdGSR%26R%3dw1y8pJHM8_Hoze_Sy_Ofsn_Yu_Hoze_R4TBM.GL25FPtJK88J3.D4L.IH_7qqw_G6%262%3dJ0IJ0F.D3Q%26xI%3dQbGRO&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt).    **PS: Don't recycle these leaflets!**  Two Recycle More leaflets will hit every doormat in Sedgemoor and West Somerset in the coming weeks with vital dates, what-goes-where details, and individual one-year calendars for all the new  collections. Every home will have collection changes - keep the leaflets to know exactly what you need to do, and when. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | A picture containing timeline  Description automatically generated   |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | A picture containing text, orange, outdoor, person  Description automatically generated   |  | | --- | | **Apologies for recent delays - and a big 'thank you'**    The upsurge in Covid infections and isolations, together with continuing LGV driver shortages and excess extra waste - especially cardboard, up a shocking 35% - have led to some delayed collections in recent weeks.    Somerset Waste Partnership is both sorry for these problems and very grateful to the many residents whose efforts helped keep pick-ups going, whether sorting materials well and using only the right containers or dropping off excess card and other materials at recycle sites.    Despite the pandemic and other problems, there is a lot every family can do to help crews get more done and keep services on track:  ■ Flatten and tear up cardboard or - if preferred, and time, transport or help - take any excess card, other materials or rubbish to a recycle site.  ■ Use only the official boxes, bins and bags - order them via My Waste Services at [**somersetwaste.gov.uk**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=A%3d5RMaBT%267%3dY%26r%3dWM%26M%3d5XMa8%26L%3d39e2vRxGD_PUtk_ae_Il1T_S1_PUtk_ZjNHU.wF8CvJzR12DRi.80T.yB_CyWq_MD%26h%3dDFQz4L.LiK%264Q%3d7VMZ5&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt).  ■ Check to put out only what is taken kerbside: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/ recycling-collections**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=4%3dJQHTQS%262%3dR%267%3dVH%26F%3dJWHTM%26K%3dxKCF9_Ijsf_Tt_Hgti_Rv_Ijsf_SyMCN.BE36AIuKF19Kx.75M.DA_8rlp_H7A5sPvByEz-35C55sK2E4J_Aqiq_K2t1q6%26t%3dDDIB4J.DuK%262I%3dIVKRG&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt).  ■ Help others to recycle, especially those older or vulnerable.  ■ Report any missed collection after 7pm on the due day using My Waste Services at [**somersetwaste.gov.uk**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=3%3dAWFSHY%26z%3dQ%26x%3dbF%26E%3dAcFSD%26Q%3dv1k7oJ4L7_Hayd_Sk_NesZ_Xt_Hayd_RpSAM.3K152OsJ777Jo.C3L.5G_6qcv_F6%26n%3dI9I69E.DoP%26wI%3dCaFRA&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt). |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | A picture containing background pattern  Description automatically generated   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Still got your Christmas tree? Here's what you can do**    ■ Chip and compost your tree or use the chippings as a mulch, secure the tree in your garden's wild corner, use the branches to protect other plants from frost, strip needles to make potpourri, or use the bare tree as a frame for runner beans.  ■ Got a garden waste subscription? Put your decoration-free tree under six foot out on your first January garden waste day.  ■ Drop off your decoration-free tree, maximum six inches diameter trunk, at any recycle site.  ■ Check for local collections, environmental schemes, and farms or zoos.    PS: If you registered for a charity pick-up, the collections organised by Dorothy House Hospice Care, St Margaret's Hospice Care and Children's Hospice South West have proved very successful, with thousands of pounds raised for their vital work. | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Text  Description automatically generated with medium confidence   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Your resolutions? Here's our top 10**  ■ Grow your own, cook your own, make meal plans, save leftovers, keep peelings and bones in freezer bags to make stock. Check Love Food Hate Waste for ideas and leftover recipes: [**lovefoodhatewaste.com.**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=5%3dIVIUPX%263%3dS%266%3daI%26G%3dIbIUL%26P%3dy3s6rLBK0_Jixg_Us_Mhuh_Ww_Jixg_TxRDO.4JC7xJ66z6A7E60Lw.86E_0vjr_JA%26u%3dECNC5I.IvL%261N%3dJWJWH&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) ■ Compost all you can - ideas here: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/home-composting**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=9%3dKSFYRU%26z%3dW%268%3dXF%26K%3dKYFYN%26M%3dvPDH7_Nkud_Yu_Jeyj_Tt_Nkud_XzOAS.CG1ABKsPG37Py.93R.EC_6wmr_FB2G1A-wG1L9K8E89_6wmr_FB%26x%3dE97u3oOF5E.JyL%26wO%3dMWFXK&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) - and use your food waste bin for the rest, or invest in well-managed hot composting (especially if you have dogs or cats). ■ Take thin-soft-stretchy-crinkly plastics and plastic-foil pouches to supermarkets - full info: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/act-on-plastics**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=A%3d9ROaFT%269%3dY%26v%3dWO%26M%3d9XOaB%26L%3d5R2GF_PYtm_ai_In1X_S3_PYtm_ZnNJU.1F0CzJ2R52FRm.8BT.3B_Eyaq_ODi4G-Mv-G991K6A1_In1X_S3%26B%3duL9i2xFTkR.AC2%260F%3daCSOY&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt). ■ Buy foods with less packaging - try your low waste shops - and cook from scratch, plus get a refill bottle and cup, and use up leftovers. More help: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/tackling-food-waste**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=0%3dCTGZJV%261%3dX%26z%3dYG%26L%3dCZGZF%26N%3dwQ6I8_Ocve_Zm_Kfzb_Uu_Ocve_YrPBT.5H2B4LtQ948Qq.04S.7D_7xes_GC64rHxB3D-rH4A-948Qq_Kfzb_Uu%268m4pA%3dyN8SoT.3B6%26B8%3dZGUGX&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt). ■ Recycle better: check what is recycled where you live - [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/recycling-collections**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=7%3dMX2WTZ%26l%3dU%260%3dc2%26I%3dMd2WP%26R%3dhNFMs_LmzP_Ww_OQwl_Yf_LmzP_V2TwQ.ELm9DPeNI8sN1.DoP.GH_ruow_20DBcSyIiH3-0oF8BcN5LnM_DxSt_N5w8aC%26d%3dGGPv7M.KeN%265P%3d3YNY1&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) - and, if you are in Sedgemoor or West Somerset, get ready for Recycle More: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/recycle-more**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=A%3dFU6aMW%26p%3dY%263%3dZ6%26M%3dFa6aI%26O%3dlR9Jw_PfwT_ap_LU1e_Vj_PfwT_ZuQ1U.8IqC7MiRB5wRt.AsT.0E_vyht_6D79gWrFi-K4Li_PfwT_Zu%268%3dqS8Pg9p5eY.39x%26G8%3dW9ZGU&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt). And have all the right containers: order free from My Waste Services at [**somersetwaste.gov.uk**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=9%3dNVBYUX%26v%3dW%26A%3daB%26K%3dNbBYQ%26P%3dr7x6kPGK3_NnxZ_Yx_Maym_Wp_NnxZ_X3R7S.FJwAENoPJ63P2.ByR.HF_2wpu_BB%261%3dH5OI8A.J2O%26sO%3dPZBXN&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt).  ■ Got baby? Getting baby? Get real nappy support and subsidy via Somerset nappy libraries to cut waste, save cash, and do better for baby: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/reusable-nappies**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=8%3dNRAXUT%26u%3dV%26A%3dWA%26J%3dNXAXQ%26L%3dqOGG2_MntY_Xx_IZxm_So_MntY_W3N6R.FFv0EJnOJ22O2.8xQ.HB_1vpq_AAE64Nx3u0-A2yK662_MntY_W3%265%3dv6x2jPFMlV.A63%26DF%3dTDWOR&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt). ■ Buy no new clothes by charity shopping, swishing, mending, and revamping what you own. More from Love Your Clothes: [**loveyourclothes.org.uk.**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=A%3dDRNaKT%268%3dY%261%3dWN%26M%3dDXNaG%26L%3d49n2wR7GE_Pdtl_an_Im1c_S2_Pdtl_ZsNIU.yFHCBFGPpCARu6E.M58.GI_5rox_E7%26z%3dK8JHAD.E1R%26vJ%3dOcESM&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) ■ Find bargains, go thrifty, be mean by using giveaway sites like Freegle and Freecycle to buy nothing new. More help here: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/reuse-pass-it-on**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=5%3dEY7ULa%26q%3dS%262%3dd7%26G%3dEe7UH%26S%3dmL8Nx_Je1U_Uo_PVud_Zk_Je1U_TtU2O.7Mr76QjLA9xLs.EtN.9I_wsgx_786CzKs-NfK7-Gy-G2_PVud_Zk%266%3d13o9fSxNqY.s78%26Gx%3dUIZ7S&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt). ■ Learn sustainable skills, from sewing and knitting to getting under the hood of your stuff with repair cafes: [**somersetwaste.gov.uk/share-and-repair**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=8%3d4WGXAY%261%3dV%26q%3dbG%26J%3d4cGX7%26Q%3dwOwL8_MTye_Xd_NfxS_Xu_MTye_WiSBR.vK20uOtOz78Oh.C4Q.xG_7vVv_GAvDpMh-739-uA56lN_7vVv_GA%26g%3dI6d7p0Ny9F.IhP%26xN%3d6aGW4&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt). ■ Join a library - [**somerset.gov.uk/libraries-leisure-and-communities/libraries/libraries-services/library-membership**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=3%3d7RHSDT%262%3dQ%26t%3dWH%26E%3d7XHS0%26L%3dxJzG9_HWtf_Sg_IgsV_Sv_HWtf_RlNCM.yF35xJuJ.mFB.Kq_IgsV_SvBo381x0uI-r6yI1Iu-1t5-sEsDADoKy5y1g2q_IgsV_SvBo381x0uI_xrip_8729hIqHo69-IkIB9i69_HWtf_RlCy2x28O-s632kI98oG_8qYq_H6%26j%3dDAI24G.DkK%26yI%3d9VHR7&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) - and a library of things, such as SHARE in Frome: [**sharefrome.org**.](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=5%3dAR5UHT%26o%3dS%26x%3dW5%26G%3dAX5UD%26L%3dk3k2dL4Gv_JatS_Uk_ITuZ_Si_JatS_TpJk326iJyDh.G28_uscq_58%26n%3dDxK644.FoK%26lK%3dCV5TA&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) Go digital for books and magazines. | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | A picture containing text, container, can  Description automatically generated   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **And finally ...**    If you have finished off the big Christmas tins or tubs of chocolates, biscuits, snacks ... yes, you can recycle them, and yes, you can recycle Pringles.  Metal tins can go in with cans kerbside or into the metals skip at any recycle site.  Plastic "tins" can - if you have a Recycle More collection - go in the Bright Blue Bag. If no Bright Blue Bag, plastic tubs can be dropped off at any recycle site and go in the skip for plastic pots, tubs, trays and bottles.  (Note that these large tins and tubs are great reused - better than recycling - for food storage, hobbies and crafts, small toys etc.)  And the internal plastic trays for biscuits, snacks and chocolates from tubs, tins or boxes can either go in the Bright Blue Bag or be dropped off in the skips for plastic pots, tubs, trays and bottles at any recycle site.  Pringles and similar “paper containers with metal ends” - for hot chocolate, snacks, nuts, dough, coffee and more - are NOT taken in kerbside collections (not even if the metal end and plastic lid are removed).  But they can be dropped off at 12 recycle sites (all but Castle Cary, Cheddar, Dulverton and Somerton).  Due to their complex layered and mixed-material construction that requires specialist recycling, Pringles etc must be added to the recycle site skips for cartons/Tetra Paks (which, BTW, no longer take single-use cups). Note: they must be empty and the plastic lids are not wanted.  Why skips at only 12 sites, why not Pringles kerbside, why no single-use cups? Decisions by companies that produce such hard-to-recycle complex packaging, not by Somerset Waste Partnership.  PS: The plastic tubs for Christmas puddings can go in the Bright Blue Bag or be dropped off in the skips for plastic pots, tubs, trays and bottles at any recycle site. | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | | **More on Somerset Waste Partnership, our services and preventing waste**    See our website for more information on waste services and what you can to do to reduce, reuse and recycle. Contact your [**local customer services**](https://somersetwaste.musvc1.net/e/t?q=8%3dHUHXOW%262%3dV%265%3dZH%26J%3dHaHXK%26O%3dxOAJ9_Mhwf_Xr_Lgxg_Vv_Mhwf_WwQCR.0I309MuOD59Ov.A5Q.BE_8vjt_HAtI4Or70-P0_Lgxg_Vv%269%3d4O9QtU.6r5q40A%26C9%3dXLVHV&mupckp=mupAtu4m8OiX0wt) helpline if you need help with our services.    You have been sent this newsletter because you asked Somerset Waste Partnership to keep you updated.  If you no longer wish to receive these bulletins click on the Unsubscribe link below.    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