

# Glossary of Terms



Here are some of the key words, terms and phrases used within our education sessions and resources. We have also included some useful web references that can be used in wider research around the topics.

## Black Bin

The bin used by households in Test Valley for rubbish that cannot be recycled.

## Brown Bin

The bin used by households in Test Valley for recyclable items. The following items can be put in a brown bin for recycling:

- ★ Paper
- ★ Cardboard
- ★ Plastic bottles
- ★ Tins and cans
- ★ Aerosols

### What can and cannot be recycled in Test Valley

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/cannot-recycle-test-valley/](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/cannot-recycle-test-valley/)

## Composting

A natural process of transforming kitchen and garden waste into nutrient rich food for the garden.

### Home composting advice and resources

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/homecomposting/](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/homecomposting/)

## Energy Recovery Facility - ERF

Energy Recovery Facilities handle the waste that is put in your black bin. They safely burn household waste to produce energy for the National Grid.

### The ERF process explained

[www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/energy-recovery/energy-recovery/how-does-it-work](http://www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/energy-recovery/energy-recovery/how-does-it-work)

### Video of an ERF

[www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/energy-recovery/energy-recovery/energy-waste-process](http://www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/energy-recovery/energy-recovery/energy-waste-process)

Join in. **Recycle.** Be a Recycling Star



## Environment

The natural world in which people, animals and plants live.

## Fly Tipping

The illegal dumping of waste.

### Fly tipping in Test Valley

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/transportparkingandstreets/streetcleaningandlitter/fly-tipping/](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/transportparkingandstreets/streetcleaningandlitter/fly-tipping/)

## Garden Waste Collection Service

A subscription based service offering residents the opportunity to have garden waste collected from their property

### How it works

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/gardenwaste/garden-waste-collection-service-service-wo/](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/gardenwaste/garden-waste-collection-service-service-wo/)

## Green Bin or Bag

These are used by households that choose to be part of the garden waste collection service

## Household Waste

The term used to describe the waste you would put in your black bin. This waste would not include any items that can be recycled.

## Household Waste Recycling Centre - HWRC

Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC) are provided and operated by Hampshire County Council. They are provided for the public to dispose of domestic waste, garden waste, recyclable materials, oil and limited amounts of rubble.

### HWRCs

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/household-waste-recycling-centres/](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/household-waste-recycling-centres/)



## Incinerator

A method of treating waste by heating it at high temperatures to produce ash, heat and gas.

## Local Recycling Centre - LRC

Local Recycling Centres collect a variety of materials that cannot be recycled in your brown bin but can be recycled in some way. There are over 100 LRCs across the borough collecting the following materials:

- ★ Glass bottles and jars
- ★ Aluminium foil
- ★ Books
- ★ Clothes and shoes
- ★ Cartons

### General information about LRCs in Test Valley

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/local-recycling-centres/](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/resident/wasteandrecycling/recycling/local-recycling-centres/)

### Recycle Now- Recycling Locator- Search for local recycling centres by location or material

[www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling](http://www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling)

## Materials Recovery Facility - MRF

Materials Recovery Facilities handle the materials put in your brown bin. They sort and separate recyclable materials into different types before sending them for reprocessing into new products.

### The MRF process

[www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/materials-recovery/materials-recovery/how-does-it-work](http://www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/materials-recovery/materials-recovery/how-does-it-work)

### Downloadable MRF plan

[www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/sites/g/files/dvc486/f/assets/documents/2014/10/Alton\\_Plant\\_-\\_Small.pdf](http://www.veolia.co.uk/hampshire/sites/g/files/dvc486/f/assets/documents/2014/10/Alton_Plant_-_Small.pdf)

## Resource

A stock or supply of a material that can be used to create a product.



## Recycle

Recycling converts used materials into new products that can be used again.

For more information see our 'The Three Rs' resource sheet.

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingstars](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingstars)

## Reduce

Reducing the materials you buy or use in the first place helps to prevent the generation of additional waste. This reduces the overall impact our lives have on the environment.

For more information see our 'The Three Rs' resource sheet.

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## Reuse

Items that have not reached the end of their useful life can be passed on to others when you have finished them.

For more information see our 'The Three Rs' resource sheet.

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingstars](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/recyclingstars)

## Rubbish - see 'Waste'

## Trade Waste

Waste generated by a business as a result of their commercial operation. This waste is not collected through the household waste collection system. Businesses must pay for this waste to be collected and disposed of.

## Waste

Items that are no longer required, not of use any more or are broken or damaged.

## Waste Disposal

Removing used or unwanted items before destroying or storing it in some way.

## Waste Management

The activity of dealing with waste.

This includes dealing with waste before it is produced (see 'Reduce') and afterwards (see reuse and recycle).