

Monday 31 May 2021

Dear resident,

Waste is changing in Glen Eira

From Monday 26 July, our green bins are going to be collected weekly, and our red bins every second week.

This means that every week our food and garden waste will be taken away to be composted — becoming nourishing compost for our gardens, parks and farms around Victoria.

What does this change mean for my household?

We've put together a [waste handbook](#) with all the details you'll need to adapt to the change.

It tells you how to sort your waste, and what to do if you need additional red bin space. And our waste calendar tells you exactly when the changes will happen for you.

We've also included information for renters, and those in apartment blocks.

And if your household is included in the following groups, you are eligible for a larger or additional red bin and additional yellow bin at no extra cost:

- families with children in nappies;
- families with six or more members;
- families with four or more members, where at least one member is a concession card holder; and
- households with additional waste for medical reasons.

Community pop ups

We're also holding a series of pop-ups to answer your waste questions around Glen Eira. Our friendly Council staff will be available to answer your questions and provide tips on reducing waste and disposing of food scraps.

Our pop-up dates are:

- 11am–2pm, Sunday 20 June — Elsternwick Plaza
- 11am–2pm, Saturday 17 July — Carnegie Library forecourt
- 11am–2pm, Saturday 24 July — Centre Road, Bentleigh (opposite the rotundas)

Visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/onit to find out about the pop-ups, or for more information about the changes.



Why is waste changing?

Glen Eira has been working to save food from landfill since 2018. It's one of the easiest ways to combat climate change and helps keep landfill costs in check for our community.

And it's not just us — all councils in Victoria are aiming to halve the amount of organic material going to landfill by 2030.

Our weekly green bin collection trial showed that when we collect food waste weekly, the amount of waste going to landfill decreases by 29 per cent. This means less carbon emissions, helping make a cleaner Glen Eira.

So, all our green bins will now be collected weekly — to keep food waste out of the tip.

What about my yellow recycling bin?

Yellow recycling bins will still be collected every two weeks. If you need extra space in your yellow bin, you can order an additional yellow bin at a much lower cost than a red bin.

Questions or queries?


If you have concerns about the change, you can email recyclingandwaste@gleneira.vic.gov.au or call 9524 3333.

And if you want tips on waste sorting and minimising follow us at [@cityofgleneira](https://www.instagram.com/cityofgleneira) on Instagram! We add new waste stories every week.

Translations

If you would like this letter translated into your preferred language, contact our Council's Media and Communications Unit on 9524 3333.

Yours sincerely



CR MARGARET ESAKOFF
MAYOR



When the changes happen for you

If you live in **Area 1**, your bin collection will be changing from **Monday 2 August**.

And if you live in **Area 2**, your bin collection will be changing from **Monday 26 July**.

Here’s what to do on bin night

Put your green bin out with your yellow recycling bin, the night before the launch date for your area. The following week, put out your green and red bins.

Your green bin will be collected every week from then on — and red and yellow bins will alternate.

