



# The Green Centre

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## Say goodbye to . . .

Every so often a recycling scheme comes to an end. There are several reasons why this might happen:

- it has become unsustainable and has ended indefinitely
  - it has become unsustainable in its current form and is being delivered in a different way
  - **ASTHMA PUMPS** – this scheme originally run by GSK has ended completely. Take your pumps to the chemist and ask them to dispose of them safely.
  - **MILK BOTTLE TOPS [plastic]** – we recycled milk bottle tops since 2006 because Brighton and Hove City Council didn't. In November 2019 they started recycling them. Put the lid **INSIDE** the bottle as the thread on a plastic milk bottle is not strong enough to keep the lid on. Include in kerbside recycling.
  - **OTHER BOTTLE TOPS [plastic]** - we recycled other bottle tops since 2006 because Brighton and Hove City Council didn't. In November 2019 they started recycling them. Put the lid **BACK** on the bottle and include in kerbside recycling.
  - **PET FOOD PACKAGING** – this packaging can now be included in the flexible plastic recycling schemes in larger supermarkets;
    - CO-OP** – once collected by the Co-op, this scheme is processed by Jayplas who are based in the UK. They have special machinery which can recognize 3 different kinds of flexible plastic which can be separated and recycled. The rest is incinerated.
    - TESCO & SAINSBURY'S** – once collected by Tesco and Sainsbury's, this scheme is processed by Eurokey which is based in Poland. After sorting the material, Eurokey says it either sells the graded material directly to processors for use in recycled products or it works with partners across Europe for further processing into plastic pellets which can be sold for use in a range of products. They will not provide any further details.
- We recommend you choose the CO-OP as we know it is being processed in the UK.**
- **TASSIMO & L'OR** – this scheme ends on November 30<sup>th</sup>. It will now be operated by Podback. See [podback.org](http://podback.org) for more details.
  - **KENCO** – this scheme ends on November 30<sup>th</sup>. We don't know of any alternative currently.
  - **SCHOOL UNIFORM** – we run this scheme in partnership with Smarter Uniforms and have been collecting Uniform for many years. In that time Smarter Uniforms have grown and are now able to manage their own collections. Our last collection was on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October.
  - **BATTERIES** – organizations selling large quantities of batteries are legally obliged to provide recycling facilities. All supermarkets sell the minimum requirement and therefore you will find a recycling box in all supermarkets.

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- **CONTACT LENS** – last year Terracycle shifted this recycling programme to opticians. Specky Wren opticians recycle contact lenses. They are situated at the London Road entrance to Brighton Open Market, on the left-hand side. They are our neighbours so you can easily pop by when you visit us.
- **SPECTACLES / GLASSES** – we had to end this scheme because our contacts stopped recycling glasses BUT you will be glad to know Specky Wren accept glasses for reuse and recycling. They are situated at the London Road entrance to Brighton Open Market, on the left-hand side. They are our neighbours so you can easily pop by when you visit us.
- **RING CARRIERS** – this packaging can now be included in the flexible plastic recycling schemes in larger supermarkets. See above for more details. **NEW**

## Say hello to ...

As a result of **Extended Producer Responsibility [EPR]** whereby producers take responsibility for **the end-of-life management of their products** new schemes pop up all the time.

- **CONFECTIONERY** – we initially lost out on this scheme, as it had reached capacity and Terracycle were unable to include us. We are very grateful to Rudyard Kipling School who kindly gifted us their scheme in October.

**We can accept:** any brand, individual chocolate bar wrappers, plastic chocolate block wrappers, plastic chocolates & sweets pouches & bags, chocolate & sweets multipack outer plastic packaging.

- **HASBRO TOYS & GAMES [ALL]** – this is a very big scheme with a huge variety of toys.

**We can accept:** Baby Alive, Disney Princesses, Furreal, Hasbro Gaming, Littlest PetShop, Marvel, Monopoly, My Little Pony, Nerf, Nerf Rival, Play Doh, Playskool Heroes, Potato Head, Power Rangers, Star Wars, Transformers, Trolls. **No electronic toys & games.**

- **GADGETS** – this is a scheme we have been part of for many years but have never collected the full range of items. Now we have said goodbye to some other schemes we are extending this scheme. These will be part of **COLLECTION B** and will start from Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**We can accept:** old film cameras, digital cameras, video cameras, sat navs, games consoles, games & Accessories, MP3 players and tablet computers.

- **VEGWARE PACKAGING** – coming soon. **3p per item NEW.**
- **BICYCLE INNER TUBES** – **50p per tube. NEW.**

*We collect, process, pack & distribute your waste to 20+ different companies.  
We are bound by their instructions & guidelines.*

For reduce / reuse / recycle opportunities in the city see our **Green A to Z**

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