

BROWN BIN (BIOWASTE) UPDATE	6th February 2018
TO: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE	
FOR INFORMATION	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Innovation and Transformation
Outcome	Provide and deliver service in a more efficient way
Lead Officer	Head of Operations
Cost: (If applicable)	N/A

Background

Council is introducing a new, fortnightly, brown bin commingled food and garden waste recycling collection service. The service will be provided to households that do not already receive same. Households which do not produce garden waste, or cannot accommodate a brown bin, will receive a weekly food waste only recycling collection service.

The Food Waste Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 state that Councils shall arrange for there to be provided to the occupier of every domestic property a receptacle for the collection of food waste.

Timelines

The following are the estimated timelines for the roll out of the new service to households in each of the legacy areas:-

Limavady legacy area	April 2018 – May 2018
Coleraine legacy area	April 2018 – August 2018
Ballymoney legacy area	March 2018 – May 2018
Moyle legacy area	May 2018 – July 2018

Information

Householders will receive a letter approximately one month in advance of the delivery of a brown bin and/or kitchen caddy. The letter summarises the new service, including the types of food and garden waste which are suitable for recycling. Upon delivery of the brown bin/kitchen caddy further instruction will be provided with an information leaflet and accompanying letter. The new service will also be publicised and promoted via the Council's website and social media and other external media outlets.

Going forward, it is intended to align where practicable current bin collection times.