

Every little thing you do, everyday, makes a huge difference.

Battery and Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Recycling



Look for the electrical recycling symbol at your Household Waste Recycling Centre

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Battery Recycling



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Battery Recycling is really easy to do -

All North Yorkshire Council Household Waste Recycling Centres take batteries for recycling.

Retail outlets selling more than 32 kgs of portable batteries per year are obliged to provide recycling facilities free of charge in store.

Ensuring that we all recycle batteries correctly is one of the most important things that we can all do to protect the environment. In 2022 the incorrect disposal of batteries was responsible for 700 fires at waste management facilities and collection vehicles across the UK. When a lithium battery fire starts at a waste management facility or in a collection vehicle it is likely that it will quickly spread to other materials being recycled paper, cardboard and plastics.

Stop Battery Fires - Always recycle your batteries

-never ever dispose of them in a waste bin or container.



Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment



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HAVE YOU EVER BINNED A BLENDER? ARE YOU KEEPING A KETTLE CAPTIVE?

ARE YOU HOLDING A HAIRDRYER HOSTAGE?

DID YOU KNOW that if you have a small electrical appliance like a hairdryer, iron, kettle or toaster that doesn't work anymore and can't be repaired, you can take it to your local Household Waste Recycling Centre for recycling?

From very small items like electric toothbrushes, torches, and razors can be recycled. Battery powered items like calculators and toys too.

All Household Waste Recycling Centres in North Yorkshire have areas to recycle very small to large electrical items **FREE OF CHARGE**. If you can't get to a Household Waste Recycling Centre yourself, you could ask a friend or neighbour to take your broken appliance the next time they go.

WHY CAN'T I JUST PUT THEM IN THE BIN?

Hidden within electrical items are precious materials like gold, copper, steel and aluminium. However, if these items are thrown into the bin, they go to landfill to never have materials a 2nd chance.

You can help reduce the demand for new raw materials by recycling your broken and unwanted electricals!

HOW DOES ELECTRICAL RECYCLING WORK?

From the recycling point, old electricals go to a reprocessing plant where people sort and break them apart. Then machines shred the materials. Magnets and electrical currents remove metals. Plastic is also sorted into different types and ground up.

Recovered metals and plastics can then be used to make new products – from bicycles and children's play areas to life saving equipment.

Find your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre at www.northyorks.gov.uk/hwrc

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UK households are estimated to have 527 million items of unwanted electrical equipment stored in cupboards attics and basements.

These unwanted electrical equipment contain a range of metals which can all be recycled including copper, gold, steel and aluminium. If they are recycled they can all be recovered if they are disposed of these metals will be lost for ever.

Item	Taken at household waste recycling centre	Cost
Cookers	Yes	Free
Dishwashers	Yes	Free
Electrical equipment	Yes	Free
Fridge and freezers	Yes	Free
Irons	Yes	Free
Kettles	Yes	Free
Lawn mowers	Yes	Free
Light bulbs	Yes	Free
Microwaves	Yes	Free
Mobile phones	Yes	Free
Toasters	Yes	Free
Tumble dryers	Yes	Free
TVs and monitors	Yes	Free
Vacuum cleaners	Yes	Free
Vapes and E-Cigarettes	Yes	Free
Washing machines	Yes	Free

Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment that can be recycled free of charge at North Yorkshire Council Household Waste Recycling Centres