

SUBMITTER QUESTIONS – RUBBISH AND RECYCLING CHANGES

1. Will black plastic bags no longer be available?

Yes. Council did not consult on retaining the status quo of a bag collection service.

2. Will the public bins in shopping areas, parks, rivers areas and beaches have 3 bins plus a container for glass?

While there is sometimes public demand to introduce or expand the scope of the provision of public recycling bins, the amount of recyclable material collected tends to be small, with contamination high and cost effectiveness low. Looking at cost effectiveness, costs per tonne are estimated at an order of magnitude higher than for recycling collected at the kerbside.

3. What will happen to the current operators?

Refer to the paper to Hutt City Council on 15 September 2020 ([HCC2020/5/204](#)) for information on the advantages and disadvantages of the different options.

4. Would a resident have a choice to use, or not to use council's rubbish collection if they do take over?

Refer to the paper to Hutt City Council on 15 September 2020 ([HCC2020/5/204](#)) for information on the advantages and disadvantages of the different options.

5. How are multi-unit developments going to be dealt with?

Refer to the paper to Hutt City Council on 15 September 2020 ([HCC2020/5/204](#)) page 25 and Appendix 4 for a response to this question.

6. How to justify \$95/yr for green waste bin, if only used once? Can I still put green waste into normal bin?

If Council agrees to the implementation of a green waste collection as part of option 1, 2 or 3, then the take-up of that service would be optional to residents. Residents can currently put green waste into their rubbish bins, albeit the introduction of a four-weekly service could be a cost effective alternative (eg opt for a smaller wheelie bin as a result of opting for a green waste service).

7. How will cross contamination of recyclables be controlled?

Refer to the paper to Hutt City Council on 15 September 2020 ([HCC2020/5/204](#)) paragraphs 62-66 for a response to this question.

8. What actually happens to recyclables that are currently collected?

Check our website to find [where your recycling goes](#).

9. Who will clean/sanitise the bins?

This tends to be the responsibility of the respective households.