

## Recycling as a visible witness of our commitment to be Stewards of Gods creation

We affirm that care for Creation, the just sharing of the world's resources and a concern for the environment are fundamental to our faith.

We believe that God created and sustains all things and longs to redeem the whole of Creation from decay *Romans 8.21*

We believe that God calls us to be stewards of all creation; commanding us to act justly , not only towards fellow human beings , but to all Creation.

We affirm that Christian mission includes caring for God's Creation, acknowledging humankind's responsibility to assist putting right the relationship with Creation and working, within the church and with partners outside, to grow towards justice and good stewardship, as envisaged in the biblical vision of the world as it is meant to be.



### Reduce

When shopping, first consider if you actually need the item, then choose items with less packaging if possible.

### Reuse

Many items we either throw away or recycle could be reused, which has a far more environmentally friendly impact. For example plastic takeaway containers make a great replacement for freezer bags, so you may even save money!

### Refill

Increasing numbers of shops encourage you to refill your own containers, a few examples are;  
Bailey's Country Store, Penryn: Ecover cleaning products.  
The Natural Store, Falmouth: Ecover cleaning products, herbs and spices, some cereal and pulses.  
Un\_rap, Webber St, Falmouth: cleaning products and almost every dried food stuff! Info: [www.un-rap.co.uk](http://www.un-rap.co.uk)

### Recycle

If the above are not feasible use recycling facilities.  
Compost food and garden waste if possible  
Take old clothes/bric-a-brac to a charity shop  
For larger items try 'Cornwall Hospice Care' or your local freegle or freecycle website

### Useful contact information

**Circuit Green team:** [greenteam@fandgmc.org.uk](mailto:greenteam@fandgmc.org.uk)

**Cornwall Council doorstep collections:**  
[www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/recycling-rubbish-and-waste](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/recycling-rubbish-and-waste) Telephone 0300 123 4141

**Cornwall Hospice Care furniture collection:**  
[www.cornwallhospicecare.co.uk/shop-cornwall/donate-to-our-shops](http://www.cornwallhospicecare.co.uk/shop-cornwall/donate-to-our-shops) Telephone 01726 874066

**Household waste recycling:**  
[www.suezcornwall.co.uk](http://www.suezcornwall.co.uk) Telephone 01726 828230

**Freecycle:** [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org)

**Freegle:** [www.ilovefreegle.org](http://www.ilovefreegle.org)

**Terracycle:** [www.terracycle.com/en-GB](http://www.terracycle.com/en-GB)

## Falmouth and Gwennap Methodist Circuit

# A Guide to recycling locally



*Seeking to serve God and communities*



## Doorstep Collection

We are fortunate to have many recyclables collected from our homes; glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles and tubs with triangular recycling logo (not black), tins, cans, paper and cardboard.

Ideally garden waste should be composted but, if this is not possible, the council will provide a bin and collect garden waste, for a fee. This fee is being reviewed, until then consider sharing one with a neighbour.

Churches pay to have waste collected from them, so most do not have recycling bins and those who use our premises are encouraged to take their recyclables home. In some places members are willing take recyclables away, either to their homes or to a local facility. If you do have bins for recycling on site, appropriate recycling labels should be used, examples are available from the circuit 'green team' (contact details on back)

## Other Recyclable items

**Batteries, lightbulbs and Printer Ink Cartridges**  
Most Council Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) have bins for these

**Spectacles**  
Many opticians are happy to receive your old glasses, which they send to those in need, at home or abroad.

**'Single use' plastic bags**  
No matter how hard we try, we cannot always avoid these! Many supermarkets now have a collection point for them, often near where you collect a basket

**tetra-paks' (eg fruit juice cartons) and takeaway paper cups**

Cornwall council, in partnership with ACE UK, is running a trial via the HWRC's. Recycling banks are currently located at:



- **Falmouth HWRC**, TR10 9DH  
off the A394 between Edgecumbe & Falmouth.
- **Helston HWRC**, R13 0QA  
Gays Hill, off the A394/Clodgey Lane
- **United Mines HWRC**, TR16 5HY  
On the road between Froogpool and St Day .

**Crisp Packets**  
Falmouth Council Office, the moor, opposite the Methodist Church, proceeds to Kernow young carers

**Pens/Felt tips**  
Kea School, in partnership with terra-cycle, is a collection point for these, proceeds go to the school

**Postage Stamps and foreign/old coins**  
Various charities collect these

Groups such as 'Terra-cycle' work with local charities to raise funds through recycling, There may be others locally, so please keep an eye open and let us know if you learn of a local place collecting .

## Could your church offer to be a collection point?

As part of your service to both God and community, could you consider having a collection point for items not currently part of the council doorstep collection at your meeting place?

Maybe church members would be willing to take items to certain collection points?

If not the circuit green team can take things that have very limited collection points, like felt tips and crisp packets. Just let us know what, when and how to collect from you!



*Serving all of creation in love*