## Important changes to your

# Garden Waste collections

From 4 June 2018 fortnightly garden waste collections will become an optional, chargeable service of £35 per year.



Sign up for the new service from 3 April at daventrydc.gov.uk/gardenwaste or call 0345 218 5215







## From June 2018 you will need to opt in and pay an annual fee if you want the council to empty your brown garden waste bin.

The service costs £35 per bin from June 2018 to the end of May 2019

Collections take place fortnightly with a small break over Christmas - that's £1.40 per collection over the year.

## Why are you charging for garden waste collections?

The charge is being introduced as the Council can no longer afford to collect garden waste on a free of charge basis. Councils are not required by law to collect garden waste free of charge and not everyone uses the service. Making it self-funding will enable the service to continue for only those who want it; as a non-essential, opt-in service, it is not paid for by your Council Tax.

### How do I sign up and when by?

Register and pay online from 3 April 2018 at www.daventrydc.gov.uk/gardenwaste or by calling 0345 218 5215 (local rate). You are encouraged to sign up for the service before it begins on 4 June. The annual charge of £35 per bin runs from June 2018 until the end of May 2019. The cost will not change if you join after 4 June.

#### How will you know I have joined when you collect my bin?

All homes that sign up will receive a registration sticker to put on their brown bin. Bins that do not show the sticker will not be emptied.

#### Can I share a bin with my neighbour?

Yes, if you wish to share, then one of you will need to pay the charge and you can arrange between yourselves how you split the use of the bin.

You can sign up and pay for the service from 3 April. Request an email reminder at daventrydc.gov.uk/gardenwaste





Composting bins at bargain prices are available for residents who would rather recycle their garden waste at home as an alternative to the new service.

A **limited number** of black 220-litre home composting bins are available for only £9.99 including delivery (usually £17.98 plus £5.99 delivery).



1-2-3-+ Collection Service The garden waste changes are part of the new 123+ waste and recycling service Launching in June 2018

