



CARING FOR CREATION NEWSLETTER



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March suggestions

We all need to reduce the amount of stuff we send to landfill – in our house we now only generate a black sack a week for a family of 5. Time to get on top of your waste:

- Get to grips with recycling: get as many 'Blue Boxes' as you need from the council and fill 'em up (reading *carefully* what can & can't go in) & ask for lids if you need to store outside; start recycling more than just at kerbside: try to find a local milk-bottle top collection (or start your own), collect ink cartridges for charities, and high-grade cardboard like juice cartons can be posted at your own expense to Tetra-Pak's recycler – address below; compost brown paper and reduce all other packaging you buy (no meat on poly-trays?!!)
- Compost at home! Council schemes often start in the summer to help you buy a home-composter cheaply, or get one from the garden centre. If you get an ordinary bin you can compost all green kitchen waste like fruit & veg scraps and egg shells, but if you get a rat-proof composter like a Green Johanna or a Green Cone they will take ALL food waste. www.greencone.com
- Invest in a battery-charger and re-chargeable batteries and stop disposing of ordinary batteries with household waste – & your church can become a battery collection point for www.batteryback.org for the rest. Also, don't put electrical goods in the bin. If they are faulty take them to the tip separately for managed disposal. If they are simply no longer wanted join...



Battery Back

- FREECYCLE! These wonderful groups aim to stop potentially useful items going to landfill by offering them free to others in the group. To find out more visit www.freecycle.org (Alternatively, a less high-tech approach is to advertise stuff in the local paper or take it to a car boot sale!)



Useful addresses:

Freecycle: www.freecycle.org/

Recycling – Tetra Pak, c/o Perrys, Recycling, Showground Road, Bridgewater TA6 6AJ

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