

Food waste caddies to arrive on your doorstep from next week

Keep an eye out for food waste recycling caddy deliveries, starting in South Kesteven on Monday, February 2nd.

With the food waste recycling service starting in April, South Kesteven District Council is about to begin delivering food waste caddies to more than 65,000 households across the district.

Once the caddies arrive, please don't start using them until the week before your collections start on April 13th. Here is the timetable for action: Monday, February 2nd: caddies start being delivered Monday, April 6th: start using your caddies Week commencing Monday, April 13th: first food waste collection, on your usual bin day

We want everyone to know about the deliveries starting, so please share this information with friends and neighbours in South Kesteven. Cabinet member for Environment and Waste, Cllr Rhys Baker, said: "You'll get everything you need to take part. "It may take a little getting used to, but by recycling your food waste in this new way, you will help cut down the amount of waste that ends up at our Lincolnshire Energy from Waste disposal facility. "Separately collected food waste will be sent to an anaerobic digestion facility in Lincolnshire where it will be turned into fertiliser for agriculture and biogas, which is used to generate renewable electricity for homes. "We will collect food waste every week – simply leave your caddy at the kerbside on your normal bin collection day. This will be an extra collection in addition to your usual collections. If you have assisted bin collections, this also applies to your food waste caddies. "There is no charge or subscription in order to participate in the food waste collection service.

"For more information, please visit the SKDC website www.southkesteven.gov.uk/foodwaste and follow the council's social media channels for regular updates." SKDC will supply all households with a small five-litre grey kitchen caddy, for food waste storage indoors; a black 23-litre outdoor caddy, to be left for kerbside collections; an initial supply of caddy liners to keep them clean and allow easy emptying; an information leaflet.

The indoor caddy should be emptied regularly into the larger outdoor one. SKDC advises that the indoor caddy can also be lined old plastic bags: old bread bags, plastic shopping bags, newspaper or kitchen roll all work just as well.

Caddies can be washed when necessary; the indoor caddy is dishwasher safe up to 60°C