



# Plumpton Village Action Plan – Recycling and Village Tidiness

The information below sets out the main items included in Lewes District Council's kerbside recycling scheme. For more information or to join the kerbside recycling scheme contact the council's customer service on 01273 484999.

| BIGGER BOX  | SMALLER BOX  | GLASS BAG   |
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| <p>✓ <b>YES PLEASE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food &amp; drink cans, empty aerosol cans</li> <li>• Plastic bottles, detergent bottles, shampoo, shower gels, soap, fabric conditioners, fizzy drinks, water, milk and sauce bottles. Squash flat then replace the lid.</li> <li>• Clean aluminium foil placed in a bag</li> <li>• Small scrap metal items e.g. old baking trays, saucepans, cutlery (no electrical items)</li> </ul> <p><i>Don't forget to wash out containers.</i></p> | <p>✓ <b>YES PLEASE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newspapers</li> <li>• Junk mail</li> <li>• Magazines</li> <li>• Catalogues</li> <li>• Letters</li> <li>• Brochures</li> <li>• Telephone directories, inc Yellow Pages</li> <li>• Shredded paper. Sandwich small amounts between other papers. Larger amounts in a clearly labelled bag.</li> </ul> | <p>✓ <b>YES PLEASE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All food and drink glass bottles and jars</li> </ul>  |
| <p>✗ <b>NO THANK YOU</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plastic food trays &amp; dishes</li> <li>• Plastic bags &amp; packaging</li> <li>• Margarine tubs</li> <li>• Yoghurt pots</li> <li>• Wrappers/Clingfilm</li> <li>• Toys</li> </ul>  | <p>✗ <b>NO THANK YOU</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cardboard including thin card and greetings cards</li> <li>• Padded envelopes</li> <li>• Packaging</li> <li>• Magazines left inside plastic wrappers</li> </ul>  | <p>✗ <b>NO THANK YOU</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wine &amp; drinking glasses</li> <li>• Perfume &amp; novelty glass bottles</li> <li>• Crockery</li> <li>• Pyrex or plate glass</li> </ul> |

**Other recycling facilities in the area include:**

**Plastic bags** - Avoid the use of use of plastic by using 'Plumpton Goes Green' and other reusable bags. There are plastic bag banks at North Street long stay car park but the council would rather you used a re-usable bag - markets for this type of plastic are very limited.

**Furniture** - 'Furniture Now' will collect unwanted furniture. Contact them on 01273 487377.

**Green Waste** -The best option is to compost your green waste. Green waste can also be recycled at the Recycling Centres in Burgess Hill and Ham Lane, Lewes.

**Cardboard** -Cardboard makes a great addition to compost. The VAP Recycling Team is currently looking into options for setting up cardboard recycling in the village.

**Food Waste** - Compost uncooked fruit and vegetables and use a Green Johanna to dispose of meat and cooked food. See [www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com) for ideas on how to minimise food waste.

**Tetrapaks (paper-based liquid food and drink cartons)** – Mini recycling centre in North Street long stay car park, Lewes. The VAP Recycling Team is looking into options for collection of tetrapaks locally.

**Batteries** - Recycled at the Lewes or Burgess Hill Recycling Centres or at Robert Dyas in Haywards Heath.

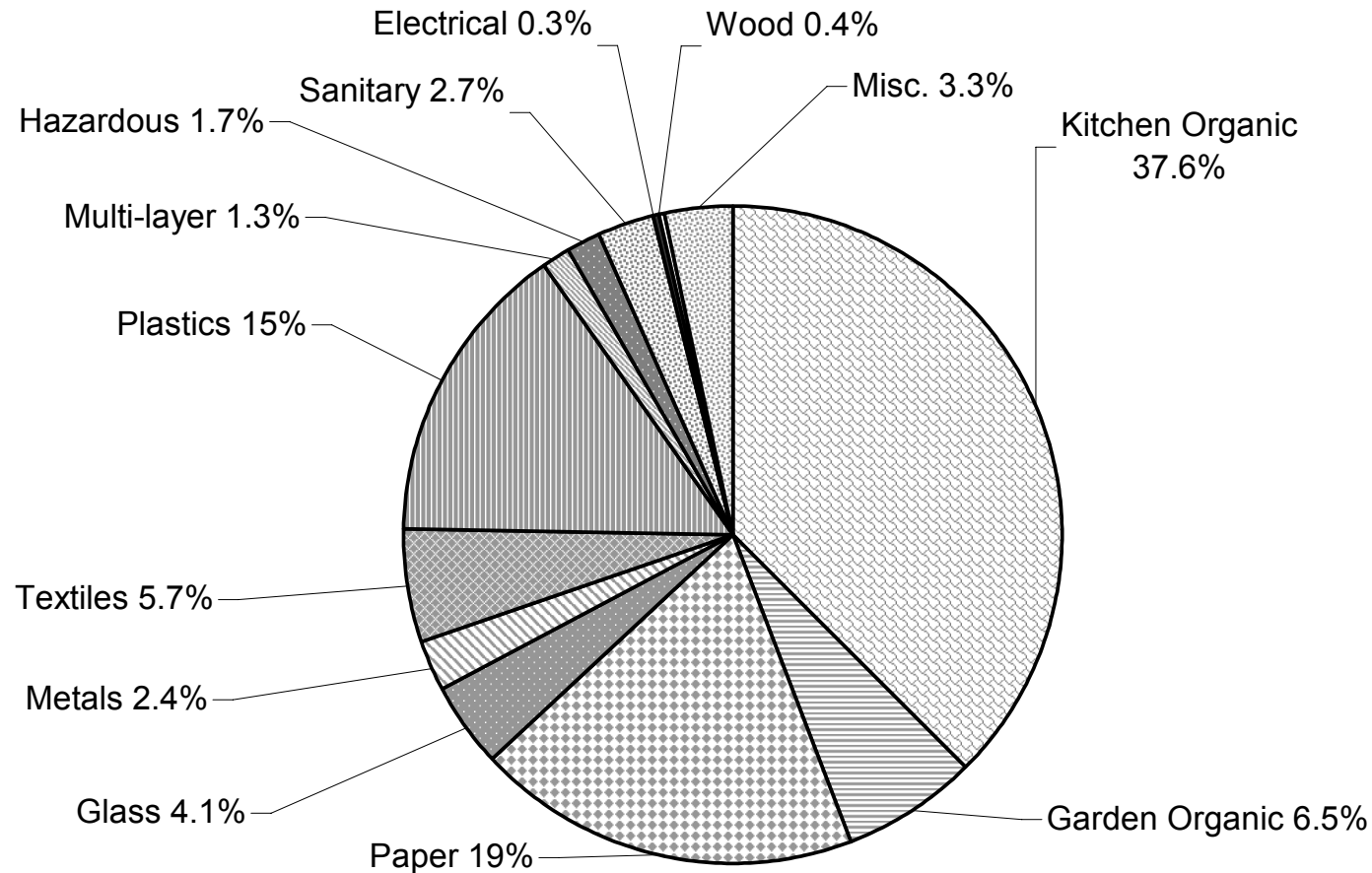
**Textiles/Bric-a-brac** - The best you can do for Plumpton is to donate these items to the Plumpton jumble sales - there is one at least once a month in the Village Hall. Look for the adverts in the Parish Magazine.

**Mobile phones** – Donate your old phone and raise money for Plumpton School PPTFA. Contact Rebecca on 01273 891534 for more information.

**Anything else?** – Find a new home for unwanted items at [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org)

# What else could we save from landfill?

Households in the Lewes District Council area produce an average of 390kg of waste per household per year. About 162 kg of this is recycled and 228kg goes to landfill. Of the 228 kg that goes to landfill, kitchen waste makes up about 38% (86kg). About 47kg of this is waste that **could be composted**, eg vegetable peelings, uncooked (out of date?) fruit & veg, tea bags, coffee grounds, eggshells.



Composition of residual (non-recycled) waste.

Data from the 2008 ESCC Household Kerbside Residual, Recycling and Garden Waste compositional study.