

Somerset Waste Partnership reference: FOI 2016 - 107
Enquiries regarding bin collections
Date of response: 07.12.2016

Dear XXX

I am writing regarding your recent request for information from Somerset Waste Partnership, which has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Somerset Waste Partnership is a partnership of Mendip, Sedgemoor, South Somerset and West Somerset District Councils, Taunton Deane Borough Council and Somerset County Council. This response covers all those partner authorities.

In response to your questions: -

Please would you tell me:

1. How often is household waste (i.e. non-recyclable rubbish) collected in your authority?

- a) weekly
- b) fortnightly
- c) other (please specify)

For the majority of households, refuse is collected fortnightly. – Please see - <http://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk/collections/refuse/>

2. Are there any areas of your authority where this frequency differs? If so, please specify.

We have a small number of weekly collection rounds three districts, Mendip, Taunton Deane and West Somerset.

Mendip – Frome, (Catherine Hill).

Taunton Deane - in Taunton Town Centre (East Reach, East Street, High Street, Station road, St James Street, Canon Street and Magdalene Street) and Wellington (North Street, High Street and Fore Street).

West Somerset - in Minehead (The Avenue and Friday Street), Watchet, (Swain Street, Anchor Street, Harbour Road and West Street), Porlock (High Street and Mill Lane),

If answering question 2. would cause you to breach the cost limit, please discard it.

If you feel your request has not been answered in sufficient detail or if you wish to clarify the information given please contact me and I will be happy to address the issues you raise.

If you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with, or the information you have received, you can ask for an internal review of our decision.

Please send your request to:

Peter Grogan
Information Governance Team
Somerset County Council
County Hall
Taunton
TA1 4DY or email informationgovernance@Somerset.gov.uk

An internal review will then be carried out and we will write to you with the results of our investigation. If you are not content with the outcome of our review, you may then apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (<https://ico.org.uk>) for an appeal: The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113

Please quote the reference numbers at the top of this e-mail in any future correspondence with Somerset Waste Partnership.

Yours sincerely