

Somerset Waste Partnership reference – 2018-19 - 153
Enquiries relating to Appliance recycling – Electrical Safety First
Date of response: 24.08.2018

Dear XXX

FOI Request – Appliance recycling – Electrical Safety First

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.

I confirm we hold the information you request. In response to your questions: -

I would like to make a request for information I believe you may hold, as per the Freedom Of Information Act 2000.

I am making this FOI request on behalf of the UK charity Electrical Safety First, to help inform research we are carrying out on electrical appliance recycling.

Please could you provide me with the following information:

1. Are there white goods (fridges, washing machines, tumble dryers) recycling facilities in the local authority area? Yes, these types of white goods are accepted at all Somerset recycling centres and community recycling sites.
2. If yes in what form for white goods a) council collection service b) municipal recycling facility c) both? C) both. Residents can pay for a bulky waste collection service and the electrical goods are separated and recycled or they can choose to take their items free of charge to their local recycling centre for recycling. Please see either <https://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk/bulky-waste-collections/> or <https://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk/recycling/centres/>
3. Are there small appliance (e.g. irons, toasters, kettles) recycling facilities in the local authority area? Yes, as above.
4. Are there on-street municipal recycling facilities (e.g. appliance bins) for small appliances in the local authority area? No, there are no on-street facilities provided by Somerset Waste Partnership.
5. Is there advice available for local residents on recycling appliances on the local authorities website? General advice on recycling is available on <https://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk/>

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