

Subject: Temporarily Suspension of Green Bin Collections from Monday 26 July

Dear Councillors,

You may have seen on Friday (16 July) that the Council sent out a message regarding disruption to collection of green bins, this is due to significant numbers of collection staff either testing positive for Covid-19 or having to self-isolate. In addition to this there is currently a national shortage of HGV drivers, which is affecting the haulage industry and has been headline news, hence additional agency workers are not available to help out at this time.

Due to the need to maintain statutory services there has been disruption to green collections resulting in delays to green waste collections; a decision has been made to temporarily suspend green bin collections from Monday 26 July. Green bins will be collected throughout this week (w/c 19 July) and residents should put their green bins out as normal on this week only. We will endeavour to empty these bins as quickly as possible, but this may run into the following weeks.

The decision to temporarily suspend green bin collections has not been made lightly, but we must prioritise statutory collections of household waste (black bins) and recycling (blue bins and green boxes). We are still seeing a significant amount of extra waste and recycling being collected at the kerbside and as such every day we need at least 4 additional rounds to collect the black bins, blue bins and green boxes.

SUEZ and Doncaster Council will continue to monitor this situation closely and keep residents informed of developments, we will re-start the green bin collections as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience and understanding

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