



# Media Release

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## Have you signed up to the new garden waste service yet?

More than 9,000 households in Daventry District have now signed up to new optional chargeable garden waste collections launching in two weeks' time.

From 4 June 2018, households wishing to continue having their garden waste collected fortnightly will need to sign up for the service and pay an annual fee of £35.

For the majority of homes district-wide, this week's brown bin collections (week beginning 21 May) will be the last ones before the new opt-in garden waste service begins. Brown bins will not be emptied after 4 June from homes that have not registered for the new service.

**Residents can sign-up for the service at [www.daventrydc.gov.uk/gardenwaste](http://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/gardenwaste) or by calling 0345 218 5215.**

All homes that sign up for £35 a year will receive a tamper-proof registration sticker in time for the start of the new fortnightly service. Garden waste bins that do not display the sticker after June 4 will not be emptied. The annual charge of £35 per bin does not change if you join after this date.

The new garden waste service is part of 1-2-3+ Collection Service being introduced by Daventry District Council and its new environmental services partner Daventry Norse. The charge is being introduced as the Council can no longer afford to collect garden waste on a free-of-charge basis.

Daventry District Council's Environment Portfolio Holder Councillor Jo Gilford said: "We have been encouraged by the numbers of people who have opted to continue with the

garden waste service from this summer. Councils are not required by law to collect garden waste free of charge and not everyone uses the service, so making it self-funding will enable it to continue for only those who want it.”

Find out more, including a list of frequently asked questions, at [www.daventrydc.gov.uk/GardenWaste](http://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/GardenWaste)