

Waste Storage and Collection Details

Proposal: Change of use and reuse of the existing library building to a faith building.

Building Area: 128 sqm, single-story.



The following waste storage and collection details are provided in accordance with Reading Borough Council's planning policies and supplementary guidance documents, including the **Waste Minimisation and Recycling Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)** and the **Local Plan (2019)**.

The proposed changes to the faith building will result in minimal waste production due to the limited food consumption and other related activities. The building and the site will primarily be used as a place of worship and for associated educational purposes.

Waste Storage Provisions

1. Capacity Requirements:

- Based on the proposed use as a faith building, it is estimated that waste generation will include:
 - General waste: **240 litres per week**
 - Mixed recyclables (paper, plastics, metals): **360 litres per week**
 - Organic waste (if applicable, such as for events): **120 litres per week**
- This capacity calculation is based on typical non-residential waste generation rates and is sufficient for the anticipated user base of the building.

2. Bin Specifications and Numbers:

- **General Waste:** One 240-litre wheelie bin
- **Recyclable Waste:** One 360-litre wheelie bin
- **Organic Waste (if needed):** One 120-litre wheelie bin
- Total bins: **Three bins**

3. Storage Location:

- A dedicated waste storage area will be provided on-site, designed to house the bins securely.
- The storage area will be located adjacent to the building's rear or side entrance (as shown on the submitted drawings), ensuring easy access for users while being discreetly placed to reduce visual impact.

4. Design and Accessibility:

- The waste storage area will:
 - Be screened and weatherproofed to protect bins from vandalism and environmental factors.
 - Include signage for clear identification of each waste stream (general, recyclable, organic).
 - Allow step-free access to comply with accessibility requirements.
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Waste Collection Provisions

1. Collection Access:

- Bins will be brought to a designated collection point adjacent to the public highway on collection days.
- The collection point is identified on the submitted drawings, ensuring efficient and safe access for waste collection vehicles.

2. Collection Frequency:

- Collection will follow Reading Borough Council's waste collection schedule for commercial properties, typically:
 - Weekly for general waste and recycling.
 - Fortnightly or as needed for organic waste.

3. Compliance with Policy:

- The storage and collection provisions comply with Reading Borough Council's Local Plan and SPD requirements, ensuring sustainable and efficient waste management.

Additional Considerations

- Waste minimisation efforts will be promoted, including the use of labelled bins to encourage proper segregation and recycling by building users.
- If the building's capacity or usage increases in the future, additional bins or higher-capacity bins can be provided, subject to Council approval.

By adhering to the standards set out in Reading Borough Council's Waste Minimisation and Recycling SPD, this proposal ensures sustainable waste management that meets planning requirements.

Kind regards

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