

What happens to garden waste from Recycling Centres?



Garden waste brought to a Recycling Centre...



...is taken to Earnside Energy in Glenfarg, Perthshire.



It goes into the Open Air Windrow facility to make good-quality compost.

The garden waste is shredded so that naturally-occurring microbes can feed on it.

Then it's piled up outside in long rows (windrows) while it turns into compost.



All the compost is screened to a 0-40mm grade and sold to local farmers.

Thick branches and tree stumps are too big for these microbes to break down so should instead be cut into smaller pieces at home.

Farmers prefer growing your food in this nitrogen rich, chemical-free, certified PAS 100 compost instead of using artificial fertiliser...



...and this compost is also made available at Recycling Centres for you to collect and use in your garden.



For more information about your brown bin collection or your nearest Recycling Centre, please visit www.pkc.gov.uk/recycle

What happens to food and garden waste from brown bins?



Your food and garden waste is collected at the kerbside...



...and taken to Earnside Energy in Glenfarg, Perthshire.

Earnside Energy has been converting food and garden waste into power, fertiliser and compost for more than 12 years.

It goes into the In-Vessel Composter to make good-quality compost.

It composts down naturally and matures for 6 weeks.

Then it is screened to a 0-40mm grade and sold to local farmers.



Farmers grow food in this nitrogen-rich, chemical-free, certified PAS 100 compost. It's better than an artificial fertiliser.



The food and garden waste from your brown bin is made into compost to help local farmers to grow more food and plants locally.

Householders don't need a paid permit to recycle food waste in a brown bin, but do need to purchase a permit to recycle garden waste in a brown bin. Visit www.pkc.gov.uk/gardenwaste for details.

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