

Immediate Release

Permits needed for commercial vehicles to use HWRCs

Powys householders who want to use commercial vehicles to take domestic waste and recycling to household waste recycling centres can apply for permits from next month.

The new Commercial Vehicle and Trailer (CVT) permits will allow residents with commercial vehicles and trailers to access the county's five household waste recycling centres.

As well as the introduction of the CVT permits, new opening days at the centres will also come into effect from Friday, 1 September.

Cllr Phyl Davies, Cabinet Member for Waste and Recycling, said: "The free permits will allow residents who have to use commercial vehicles to take household material to our centres while allowing the council to control the illegal disposal of commercial waste which would otherwise be at the expense of the council tax payer.

"Residents can apply for the permits from Friday, 1 September and will need to provide a copy of the vehicle registration document and proof of identification to show that they are Powys residents.

"We know that the original ban on commercial vehicles caused concern because of the inconvenience it caused to some residents. We believe that the new CVT permit system is a measured response that allows genuine access to the household waste and recycling centres while still providing some control over the waste that is being taken to our sites.

"Residents will be allowed 12 individual permits which will grant 12 visits per commercial vehicle per household in a year. The applications can be made online and will require scanned documents with household and vehicle details.

"Large vehicles will still not be allowed to use the household waste and recycling centres because they are not generally used as a domestic vehicle and ultimately we have to balance access to the HWRCs against the cost to the tax payer," he added.

The new opening days will come into effect from Friday, September 1.

The new opening days of the other sites will be:

Newtown Household Waste Recycling Centre

Monday – 9am-5pm

Tuesday – 9am-5pm

Wednesday – 9am-5pm

Saturday – 10am-4pm

Sunday – 10am-4pm

Welshpool Household Waste Recycling Centre

Wednesday – 9am-5pm

Thursday – 9am-5pm

Friday – 9am-5pm

Saturday – 10am-4pm

Sunday – 10am-4pm

Details of the CVT permit scheme will be available online at www.powys.gov.uk/recycle within the next week.

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