



Handy list of where to recycle stuff!

(that isn't collected at the kerb-side)

If you know of more items/locations please let us know and we will update our list! minak@hotmail.co.uk

Yeay to stopping things going to landfill!



| Item | Where? | Notes |
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| Batteries (small, household | Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 | Accepted batteries: |
| ones) | Harrison Street, Brooklyn. Drop at their | Lithium iron (rechargeable batteries) PLEASE TAPE LITIUM |
| | recycling station in the foyer outside | BATTERY TERMINALS PRIOR TO DROPPING OFF |
| | the main office (8.30am-4pm Mon-Fri) | Zinc air (e.g. camera batteries) |
| | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | Silver zinc (eg. Laptop and hearing aid batteries) |
| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | Mobile phone batteries |
| | 4.30pm) The trust also accept | No accepted batteries: |
| | commercial, laptop and powertool | Leaking/damaged batteries |
| | batteries at a charge of \$5 per kg. | Electrical appliances and whole mobile phones |
| | Island Bay Community Centre, 137 The | |
| | Parade, Island Bay. (10am-4pm Mon- | Batteries contain harmful chemicals, which can leach into soil |
| | Fri) | and waterways if they go in the landfill. Fires can also occur |
| | The Tipshop, Landfill road, Ōwhiro Bay | when they are disposed of directly to landfill. |
| Bicycles | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | Sustainabilty Trust is the central drop-off point for ReBicycle |
| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | EkeRua. They will upcycle pre-loved bikes and donate these to |
| | 4.30pm) | newly settled refugees or people experiencing financial difficulty. |
| | | Yes please: |
| | | Bikes in good condition: |
| | | 1. It has all its parts and looks like a bike |
| | | 2. It does not have drop handlebars (we can't take road |
| | | bikes at the moment) |
| | | 3. It rolls, even if the tyres are flat, and has some sort of |
| | | brakes. |
| | | 4. It looks like a bike you would want to give to a friend. |
| | | Not too rusty, no obvious DIY paint jobs. |
| | | 5. It can need a clean but shouldn't be "too far gone" for |
| | | someone new to love. |
| | | Helmets under 3 years old that you would be happy to wear with |
| | | pads and clean straps |
| | | Pumps and accessories in working order |
| | | Balance bikes |
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| Car Seats | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- 4.30pm) | Sustainability Trust are a central collection point for SeatSmart car seat recycling. Approximately 100,000 car seats expire in NZ every year. SeatSmart aim to prevent valuable resources from ending up in landfill and aim to improve awareness of car seat expiry dates and improving road safety for kiwi kids. |
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| Clothing | In useable condition: The Tipshop, Landfill road, Ōwhiro Bay (8.30-4.30 Mon-Sat, 9am-4pm Sunday) Vinnies Op Shop, 1/189 Ohiro Road Two Todman, 2 Todman Street, Brooklyn (9am-4.30pm Mon-Sat) Vinnies Op Shop, 215 The Parade, Island Bay (9am-4.30pm Mon-Sat) In unusable condition: Clothing Bin, 1c Taurima Street, Hataitai (bin is opposite 1c) | Hataitai clothing bin is the only one I could find to recycle clothing that is no longer wearable. Most clothing bins have been removed from Wellington due to textile content now being more complex to recycle. If anyone knows of other ones, please let us know and we can update this list! |
| Contact lens cases | Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 Harrison Street, Brooklyn. Drop at their recycling station in the foyer outside the main office (8.30am-4pm Mon-Fri) Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- 4.30pm) | ONLY CASES WITH NUMBER 2 and 5 WRITTEN ON THEM (in a triangle usually if you look closely!) Please remove foil lids (these can go in soft plastic recycling) and make sure cases are empty and dry. They go in with the plastic lids of the same number. |



| Curtains | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | GOOD QUALITY PRE-LOVED, MOULD-FREE! |
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| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | The Sustainability Trust gives them to low-income families within |
| | 4.30pm) | te-Whanganui-a-Tara/Wellington. |
| | | Yes please: |
| | | Good quality, mould-free pre-loved curtains |
| | | Fabric rolls or large offcuts of fabric |
| | | Tracks and hooks |
| | | Rolls of white/cream/grey poplin/polyester/cotton/calico |
| | | No thank you: |
| 400 000 | | Dirty, sun-damaged or moudly curtains |
| | | Curtain rods or crackets |
| | | Blinds or netting |
| | | If you are unsure if they will take your curtains call them on |
| | | 0505787824 ext 705 |
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| Egg Boxes | Hopper home store, 11 Hopper Street, | It is better to re-use materials than recycle them |
| | Mount Cook. (10am-6pm Wed- | Rather than recycle your egg boxes, they can be given to Hopper |
| 40000 | Sun/10am-7pm Thurs) | Home Store who use them for their egg sales! A great zero-waste |
| | Also kerb-side recyclable! | store to visit too! |
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| E-Waste | The Tipshop , Landfill road, Ōwhiro Bay | The Tipshop accept, free of charge: |
| | (8.30-4.30 Mon-Sat, 9am-4pm Sunday) | Computers, laptops, tablets, and typewriters |
| | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | Drills, regulators, and thermostats |
| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | Garden and power tools |
| | 4.30pm) | Home entertainment equipment including radios, hi-fi, stereos, |
| To the same of the | | record players, DVD and video players |
| | | Household electrical appliances such as toasters, microwaves, |
| | | fans, fryers, vacuum cleaners, irons, scales, sewing machines |
| | | Mobile phones and cell phones |
| | | Musical instruments such as electric keyboards, guitars and |
| | | drum kits |
| | | Printers and scanners |
| • | | TV's and monitors have a \$30 charge. They often contain leaded |
| | | glass and mercury which must be stripped out, prepared and |



| | | processed. The charge covers the cost of processing and is in line with other recyclers. Sustainability Trust accept a whole range of household appliances, electronics, laptops, printers, copier toner and lightbulbs/fluorescent tubes. There is a charge for these items, please visit their website for more info: www.sustaintrust.org.nz/our-recycling-programmes/e-waste-wellington |
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| Food waste | Compost share scheme www.sharewaste.org.nz | Sign up for free: www.sharewaste.org.nz Find your nearest compost you can take your food scraps to. Or why not check in with your neighbours and see if you can pop your food waste into their compost if they have one? Likewise if you have a compost, maybe offer a neighbour to add their food waste to yours! |
| Food items – extras/unwanted | Olio App – olioapp.com | Download the 'Olio' app and take a quick photo of your unwanted food item(s) and share with people in your neighbourhood. A growing number of the Ōwhiro Bay community are using the app to share their unwanted/excess food! You can also share non-food items through the app too, it is so simple and people can collect from your house, minimal effort required! Half a cabbage too much? Productive fruit tree? Cleared out the pantry and don't want some items? Olio them to someone who does! Let's reduce food waste! |
| Glass Jars | Hopper home store, 11 Hopper Street, Mount Cook. (10am-6pm Wed- Sun/10am-7pm Thurs) | CLEAN AND DRY JAR WITH LIDS It is better to re-use materials than recycle them Rather than recycle your glass jars, they can be given to Hopper Home Store who give them to people to refill with their products! A great zero-waste store to visit too! |



| Jewellery | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | Sustainability Trust have partnered with CanBead who are part |
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| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | of the CanInspire Charitable Trust. They run creative therapy |
| Angeles A | 4.30pm) | jewellery making workshops for groups of people experiencing |
| | | illness, trauma or loss. |
| | | Yes please: |
| | | Beaded jewellery |
| | | Other beaded items (e.g.fabrics) |
| | | Pendants, keyrings, other small jewellery items |
| | | Fabric ribbons over 1m long |
| | | Beads and findings from your craft stash (e.g. beading wire, |
| | | crimps, tiget tails, fasteners, small jewellery tools in good |
| | | condition) |
| | | No thanks: |
| | | Party beads (fused onto the string) |
| | | Glued on embellishments |
| Lids - metal | Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 | THESE MUST BE CLEAN AND DRY, IF TOO DIRTY, PLEASE PUT INTO |
| O Mator | Harrison Street, Brooklyn. Drop at their | LANDFILL. |
| | recycling station in the foyer outside | Yes please: |
| Allen Allen Car | the main office (8.30am-4pm Mon-Fri) | Metal screw bottle tops |
| | The Tipshop , Landfill road, Ōwhiro Bay | Wire from sparkling wine |
| | (In the Tipshop carpark, to the left of | Metal jar lids |
| | the cardboard/glass recycling.) | Ring-pull caps |
| | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | |
| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | |
| | 4.30pm) | |
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| Lids - plastic (Numbers 2 and 5 | Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 | ONLY LIDS WITH NUMBER 2 and 5 WRITTEN ON THEM (in a |
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| only) | Harrison Street, Brooklyn. Drop at | triangle usually if you look closely!) All other lids sadly have to go |
| | their recycling station in the foyer | into landfill. Please separate your lids into 2's and 5's as you drop |
| | outside the main office (8.30am-4pm | them off. |
| | Mon-Fri) | Yes Please: |
| | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | Plastic milk bottle caps |
| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | Plastic contact lense packaging (foil removed) |
| | 4.30pm) | Yoghurt pot lids |
| | | Only plastic labelled 2 or 5 |
| | | No thanks: |
| | | Any plastics labelled 1, 3, 4, 6 or 7 |
| | | Any small plastic items not labelled as type 2 or 5, e.g. food |
| | | pouch lids, dip lids, coffee cup lids |
| | | Plastic lids with a thermal seal inside (often blue or white layer) |
| | | Plastic lids with waxy paper inserts (please remove if possible |
| | | then lid is recyclable! |
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| | | Every year a total of 2,498 tonnes of loose plastic lids are |
| | | disposed of through rubbish/recycling bins in Aotearoa, most will |
| | | end up in landfill. Lids are too small to be baled with other |
| | | plastics. |
| Light bulbs | Mitre10, 128 Churchill Drive, Crofton | NO BROKEN BULBS PLEASE |
| | Downs | Any typical household bulbs accepted, including LED and |
| | | fluorescent bulbs. Place in lightbulb recycling boxes found in |
| | All Mitre10 stores accept lightbulbs! | stores. |
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| Metal Items - small | Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 | SIZE GUIDE: IF THE ITEM CAN FIT IN A REUSABLE SHOPPING BAG! |
| H+1 - H+1 | Harrison Street, Brooklyn. Drop at their | Metal drink bottles, metal tools, nuts & bolts, metal pots, pans, |
| | recycling station in the foyer outside | metal cookware (even Teflon coated ones), metal cutlery, blunt |
| | the main office (8.30am-4pm Mon-Fri) | knives, copper piping, blunt scissors, wire clothes hangers, keys, |
| | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, | razor blades. |
| | Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- | |
|) | 4.30pm) | |



| Mobile phones | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- 4.30pm) | Sustainability Trust recycle mobile phones free of charge |
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| Plastic plant pots | Bunnings Warehouse, 22/54 Kingsford Smith Street, Rongotai. (6.30am-9pm Mon-Fri/7am-7pm Sat & Sun) Mitre 10, 128 Churchill Drive, Crofton Downs. (7am-6pm Mon-Fri/8am-6pm Sat & Sun) | MUST BE CLEAN! ONLY POTS WITH PP5 ACCEPTED Please check your pots have a number 5, usually inside a triangle on them! |
| Plastic - soft | New World Supermarket, 6 Medway St, Island Bay. (Drop in bin to left of shop exit, past the tills) | CLEAN, DRY and EMPTY! Yes please: BAGS FROM – bread, fresh produce, frozen food, cereal, courier, dry pet foodm garden potting mix, lightly foiled bags e.g. tea and coffee bags, chip packets. WRAP FROM – confectionary, snack, toilet roll, hygiene products, dairy, bubble and cling film. No thanks: compostable bags, biscuit or meat trays, cellophane, hard plastic, dirty soft plastic. Top tip - stick your fruit and veg stickers onto a soft plastic bag to also recycle! They are too small on their own! |
| Razor blades | Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 Harrison Street, Brooklyn. Drop at their recycling station in the foyer outside the main office (8.30am-4pm Mon-Fri) Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am-4.30pm) | CLEAN AND DRY – PUT IN AN ENVELOPE AND WRITE "RAZOR BLADES" ON IT! THIS WILL PREVENT INJURY! Investing in a razor that uses old fashioned replaceable razor blades is much more environmentally friendly than disposable razors. These go in with small metal items at either of the dropoff place listed. |
| Silicone | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- 4.30pm) | ANY FOODGRADE SILICONE The 'Send back silicone' programme is run by "Munch" Any of the following items made from silicone are accepted: Ice pop makers, baby spoons, food covers, freezer bags, bakeware, spatulas, baby bottle teats, ice trays, wrist bands, food containers. Unfortunately, menstrual cups cannot be accepted due to health & hygiene. |



| Tetra packs | Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 Harrison Street, Brooklyn. Drop at their recycling station in the foyer outside the main office (8.30am-4pm Mon-Fri) | COMPLETELY FLATTEN OUT BY CUTTING TOP, BOTTOM & SIDE, WASH, LID ON, JOB DONE! All liquid paperboard (LPB) cartons are accepted, e.g. Oat milk, Up & Go breakfast, Campbells Real Stock. These are recycled by saveBOARD to create new low carbon building materials. |
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| Vapes | VAPO, 70 Cuba Street, Te Aro. Or mail items: www.vapecycle.co.nz | eCigarettes and vaping devices contain batteries (lithium-ion) and cartridges that hold flavoured solutions. They should be dealt with as hazardous waste. |
| Wood | The Tipshop , Landfill road, Ōwhiro Bay (8.30-4.30 Mon-Sat, 9am-4pm Sunday) | The Tipshop will sell any wood you no longer need if it is in useable condition. |
| Wool/Yarn | Sustainability Trust, 2 Forresters Lane, Te Aro. (Drop off Saturdays 9am- 4.30pm) | Sustainability Trust partner with "Crafting threads of aroha" who are a charitable group that connect people who knit/crochet/sew for charity, to the charities that need products. Yes please: Balls or wool/yarn of any colour (natural and synthetic), partly used or unused. No thanks: Anything damp, dirty or tangled! |



Please consider the steps you can take before needing to recycle (search "the 6 R's of sustainability")



Image: www.theveganreview.com/the-6-rs-of-sustainability-what-does-sustainable-really-mean