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4 Do you have any other ideas for improving recycling on Morland Mews?

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5 Please give your details in case we have a question about any of your responses.

Your name, your address

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Thank you for completing our questionnaire.

Please post your completed questionnaire in the special box at 60 Morland Mews on or before the deadline date: Friday 20 December.

Recycling and refuse FAQs

1. Would any of the suggested new uses for these garages change the planning bid for new homes on Morland Mews?

No. Our planning application already proposes using four garages in the centre of the estate for refuse and recycling facilities.

2. Will the bulk refuse garage be open for use by the general public?

No. The garage will be secure and locked. Our caretakers will only let in residents who have paid for the service and told us how many items they will store there. Our caretakers will check these items to make sure they meet health and fire safety regulations.

3. Will I still be able to leave bags and goods for recycling out on the street in Morland Mews once the bins are installed?

No. The point of installing recycling facilities is to encourage recycling and give you more suitable places to leave the bags than inside your home or at random spots around the estate.

4. How often will the recycling bins be emptied?

The council will still collect recycling from Morland Mews estate every Tuesday morning.

There might in future be more frequent collections if recycling on Morland Mews becomes popular enough to justify asking the council to step them up.

5. What sort of things can be stored for collection in the bulk refuse garage?

It could vary, from general furniture to white goods and even electronic goods like TVs.

6. How often will the bulk refuse store be emptied?

The council will empty the garage once it is full. This could be done as and when needed or it could be done on a regular schedule.

Another idea: a neighbourly take on freecycling

You might be interested in another idea - starting our own 'Freecycle'-style service. We often no longer need or want things that are still in a good condition. Instead of throwing them away, we could ask other Barnsbury HA tenants if they need or want an item, storing it in the garage for a reasonable time to see if someone else wants it.

Any questions?

If you have a question about our recycling proposals please don't hesitate to get in touch with Dean by email at dean@barnsbury.org or call 020 7704 2324.



Morland Mews refuse and recycling Tell us your views of our new plans

Closing date

This consultation will close on Friday 20 December.

Tell us your views

Don't forget to fill in our questionnaire on pages four and five.

Just pop your completed form into the box in our office at 60 Morland Mews on or before Friday 20 December

There are at present no recycling facilities on Morland Mews. After discussing this problem with your Tenants' & Residents' Association we've put together some plans for brand new facilities that we hope will make recycling easier for all of you.

However, before we go any further we want to run these plans by all of you who live on Morland Mews.

We'd appreciate your taking the time to read through our proposals then fill in the questionnaire on pages four and five and return it to us as soon as you can.

The recycling problem

Recycling:

Morland Mews has no recycling facilities other than the two food recycling bins in the middle of the Mews and at the top site.

There are no specified places for you to put out your recycling bags. What happens instead is that each household puts out bags at random spots across Morland Mews.

The bags are picked up by the council on Tuesday mornings. But bags put out too early are left out for several days. They make the estate look messy and the bags often get ripped open by foxes.

The lack of proper facilities for recycling makes it harder for some of you to recycle. And that means that a lot of waste that could be recycled ends up in the general waste (refuse), which is sent for landfill.

Refuse:

General waste, or refuse, is collected by the council twice a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays.

There are bins for this throughout the estate, including stores in Pugin Court, Gissing Walk, Morland Mews and the top site.

Proposal 1: the top site

What you have now

- ✗ Two bins for general waste that is sent for landfill
- ✗ One recycling bin for your food waste.



Both of the rubbish bins for general waste are several years old and due to be renewed.

They also partly block the path at this end of the estate, making it hard for a lot of you to get past them.

What we propose

Making a new place for more and better bins that would also leave the pathway clear.

By taking out a little bit of shrubbery beside the football pitch we could create a new specially fenced off area with proper paving.

It would have room for more bins. Instead of the two general waste bins and the food recycling bin, there would be room for two waste bins and two recycling bins.

Clearing the path would make it easier to get to the park. And we hope that with the bins tucked away people would be less likely to dump items here.

The new bins would also be easier to use. Instead of lifting a heavy lid, all you would need to do is put your rubbish through a slot.

Image below courtesy of the BHA Tenants' & Residents' Association.



Above: a mock-up by your tenants' and residents' association of how the new recycling area might look

Proposal 2: recycling in garage 82

What you have now

- ✗ At the moment the main place for putting your rubbish out is garage 81.

This has seven general waste bins, and one food waste bin that sits outside the garage.

Below: from left, garages 80, 81 and 82 on Morland Mews



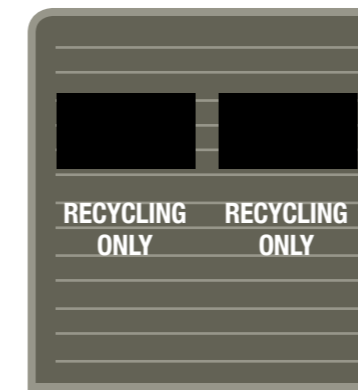
What we propose

Turning garage 82 into a new recycling facility with a specially designed door.

The new garage door would have two slots for you to push through the recycling bags filled with any materials you have that the council is able to recycle.

Metrostor, Islington Council's recycling facility supplier, says it can have made for us a special new garage door with two slots (*see below*).

New signage would make it clear that the two slots in this door should only be used for your recycling.



Proposal 3: collecting bulky rubbish

What you have now

- ✗ More and more items are being dumped in and around Morland Mews.

Very often we can't find out who left them or whose job it is to remove them.



Islington Council now charges £10 for each item it has to take away. But the minimum it charges for a single collection is £30.

What we propose

Turning garage 83 into a new store for bulky refuse.

You could use this to store larger items you want to throw out. When the store gets enough items to avoid paying the council's minimum charge for one or two items, we would ask the council to collect and dispose of everything in the store.

Garage 83 would be kept secure by our caretakers. They would monitor the items being deposited there to make sure everything was safe and that there would be absolutely no risk of fire.

This service would still have to be paid for but there would be no risk of your having to pay the minimum £30 charge. Instead you would pay us £10 for each bulky item and we would then pay that to the council.

We hope this would encourage all of you to call us for help with bulky waste instead of calling the council or just dumping items. So that would help us to keep your estate clean.

Questionnaire for Morland Mews tenants

1 Would you like to see the existing two general waste bins at the topsite replaced with a four-bin enclosure of two general waste bins and two recycling bins, to go in a new paved area at the side of the football pitch?

yes

no

Do you have any comments on this proposal?

2 Would you like to see garage 82 given a new use as a recycling facility?

yes

no

Do you have any comments on this proposal?

3 Do you support our turning garage 83 into a bulk rubbish store and BHA charging residents £10 per item to take bulky items away?

yes

no

Do you have any comments on this proposal?

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