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## **Further Recycling Centres to open across Norfolk**

Plans to reopen Norfolk's remaining recycling centres are progressing well with the part-time sites in Wymondham and Wells reopening on Friday 19 June.

Four further part-time recycling centres will reopen in the coming weeks, with the hope that every site will be operating by early July.

The four remaining part-time sites are:

- Bergh Apton
- Docking
- Snetterton
- Wereham

Sites will still run with a reduced service and capacity to ensure the safety of the public and staff. Physical distancing requirements will be in place, and staff will be on hand to manage traffic flow in and out of sites during peak times as required.

Cllr Andy Grant, Cabinet member for Environment and Waste said "Reopening all our sites in the coming weeks is a great step forward. We're so thankful to the people of Norfolk for their patience and understanding when visiting the recycling centres. All the sites have been busy, especially at peak times, but the understanding the public have shown has been great. Reopening these part time sites will help to increase the capacity across the county and relieve some of the pressure on the busier sites."

I also want to say a huge thank you to all the staff involved in getting these sites open, from those on site to those behind the scenes. They've worked incredibly hard to not only reopen these sites but also to make sure its safe for everyone to use them. Thank you."

Physical distancing and safety measures still remain in place at every site across Norfolk to ensure the safety of the public and staff. For further information on changes and restrictions in place, please visit the Norfolk County Council website.

Norfolk County Council's Waste Management Team also continue to encourage us to begin composting in our own gardens. Following on from the first successful virtual event, another Facebook Live event will take place on Weds 1<sup>st</sup> July, discussing 'alternative methods of composting at home, including wormeries and Bokashi composting'. Find out more at <a href="https://www.norfolkrecycles.com">www.norfolkrecycles.com</a> and search Norfolk Recycles on Facebook to join the live event.

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