

Petition to Remove Recycling Centre Slot Limitations – Council 13 October 2022

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We the undersigned petition the council to remove recycling centre slot limitations. Currently Torbay Council limits recycling centre booking slots to 4 per 28 days for DIY waste and 6 per 28 days for garden waste. This limitation should either be entirely removed or significantly increased. In addition, the recycling centre should be opened on Sundays as the current opening hours are unfair to residents working 9-5 jobs.

Limiting the number of times residents can use the recycling centre discourages property maintenance and renovation whilst encouraging fly tipping. At present the only way to dispose of waste beyond limitations is to pay commercial rates using the weigh bridge meaning that residents are paying for a service they should be entitled to through their council tax as they would be in other authorities such as Teignbridge Council who have no limitations.

In addition, the recycling centre closes at 4pm every day and is entirely closed on Sunday. This is particularly unfair on residents working 9-5 jobs as garden maintenance and DIY work is often carried out on Saturdays requiring disposal on Sundays.

Both Brunel Road and Tor Quarry recycling centres open on Sundays with Brunel Road offering long opening hours for those that work 9-5. This should be the same for Torbay.