

Don't let your business feed the gulls



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TIDY**

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Urban gulls create mess by scavenging waste bags, spread their droppings on buildings and are very noisy.

Gulls are attracted to areas where food is plentiful and where there are attractive nesting sites, so there are things your business can do to help tackle this problem in Bath and North East Somerset.

**Bath & North East
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Put your litter in a bin

Let's Keep It Tidy!



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How you can help: Here are some simple ways your business can help to reduce the problems caused by gulls.

10 top tips for action

1. To keep our streets clean, attractive and safe for residents and visitors you must put out your business recycling and waste on the street for collection on the **right day and at the right time**. Your business waste contractor must collect within these timescales. If your waste is not collected within these timescales, you must take it back in from the pavement or highway or you could be fined £100.

Business waste	To be put out between	To be collected by
Morning	7.30am and 8.30am	10am latest
Afternoon	5pm and 6.30pm	8.45pm latest

2. Put out your business recycling and rubbish in the **correct containers**. Don't overfill them and make sure they are closed properly.
3. Reduce the food supply to gulls. Arrange a food waste recycling collection for your business – contact us to find out about our new service or contact your existing waste contractor.
4. Choose to use bins instead of bags for your rubbish to reduce gull attacks.
5. Use re-usable rubbish bags to contain your rubbish sacks if possible – ask your contractor if they can supply these. They are stronger and more resistant to bird attacks.
6. Display a **Don't feed the gulls poster** in your premises – contact us for a copy or download from our website www.bathnes.gov.uk/dontfeedthegulls
7. Don't feed birds in parks, open spaces or on the street. If your business involves serving food outside, please ensure your tables are cleared quickly.
8. If you supply take away food, please encourage your customers to use the street recycling and litter bins.
9. Report a litter spot which may become a target for gulls as soon as you can to Council Connect via @ccbathnes or www.twitter.com/ccbathnes www.bathnes.gov.uk/reportit
10. Protect against gulls nesting on your property. Contact our Pest Control Service 01225 396007 to find out about our chargeable dummy egg replacement service and information on other ways to deter gulls.

Find out more

<http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/dontfeedthegulls>

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