



Textiles and food and drinks cartons can now be collected in the blue bin kerbside recycling collections.

Food and drinks cartons are separated and baled. The cartons are taken to a reprocessor where they are pulped, and the aluminium and polythene are removed and made into new products. The paper board pulp is used to make new paper products such as paper bags.

Clean textiles can also be included in your blue bin collection. This includes any old clothes; sheets or towels but please do not put any items like shoes, underwear, bags, belts, duvets, pillows or blankets in the blue bin. The textiles are graded and sent to a reprocessor. The good quality items are sent for reuse while the poor quality items are recycled into industrial cloth. For more information on recycling in West Lothian, please call the recycling hotline on 01506 777 810 or see www.wasteawarescotland.org.uk.

Please continue to use your nearest charity shop for donations of good quality items. Good quality clothes, books, shoes, music, toys, furniture and bric a brac are all usually welcomed by charity shops. By continuing to donate to charity shops, you are reducing your waste, contributing to the charities and helping those in need. Please call your nearest charity shop for details of the items they are able to take.