

To dispose of unwanted items that cannot find a home take them to your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre free of charge, or contact your local authority customer call centre to arrange a bulky collection at a fee.

To buy items from furniture reuse groups you will need to show you are receiving benefits or on a low income. Contact the nearest store serving your district to discuss. The groups can also arrange low cost collection and delivery on larger items.



Did you know that every year 500 tonnes of waste is kept out of landfill through Somerset's furniture reuse groups? Across the UK 3000 people are working to collect and deliver used furniture and appliances.

(Source: Furniture Re-use Network)



FRN (Furniture Re-use Network) is the national body supporting and co-ordinating re-use projects. Visit www.frn.org.uk or call 0845 602 8003 to find your nearest furniture reuse network store.

For more information on waste reduction and recycling in Somerset visit www.somersetwaste.gov.uk

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Somerset Waste Partnership manages household recycling and waste services on behalf of all local authorities in Somerset.



Viridor Waste Management operate Somerset's HWRCs on behalf of Somerset Waste Partnership.



Pass it on!

Give spare household furniture and appliances a new lease of life.



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If you have good furniture or household appliances that you don't need any more, please don't throw them away! Finding them a new home is easy ...

Somerset Reuse Groups take good quality items and sell them at low prices to people on low incomes. They may even collect them free. They take all types of furniture, including beds*, tables, chairs, sofas*, wardrobes and bookcases. Most also take working electrical items like fridges and freezers, along with crockery, kitchen equipment and curtains.

FurnEquip Frome (Mendip) 01373 467320	Enterprise Services Unit 8 Keyford Court Manor Furlong, Frome BA11 4BD
FurnEquip, Glastonbury (Mendip) 01458 831188	Unit 7, The Beckery Mill Lane, Glastonbury BA6 9NX
Sedgemoor Furniture Store (Sedgemoor) 01278 425055 Sedgemoorfurniturestore@btconnect.com	Unit 10, Wills Estate Salmon Parade Bridgwater, TA6 5JT www.sedgemoorfurniturestore.co.uk
FurniCare, Chard (South Somerset) 01460 68221 furnicarechard@talktalkbusiness.net	The Mill, Boden Street Chard TA20 2DD www.furnicare.co.uk
FurniCare, Yeovil (South Somerset) 01935 433416 furnicareyeovil@btconnect.com	32 Goldcroft, Yeovil BA21 4DH www.furnicare.co.uk
Home Furniture Services Trust (Taunton Deane) 01823 253053 furnitrust@uwclub.net	Chip Lane Retail Park, Taunton, TA1 1DU
Engage Furniture Reuse Project (West Somerset) 01643 707484 information@engagews.org.uk	Ground Floor, Alcombe Village Hall, Marshfield Road, Alcombe, TA24 6AQ

Details subject to change - if in doubt please phone to confirm details and opening times.

*Good quality, fire resistant labelled.

Your local charity shop

Most towns have at least one charity shop selling anything from books to bric-a-brac and clothes. More and more are now also selling furniture and electrical items.



Take the opportunity to support the cause of your choice and pick up a bargain at the same time.



Reuse online

There are several ways you can donate, sell, find and buy good quality items at cut down costs - or even free! - online.

Online auction sites: The most widely known is www.ebay.co.uk, but there are many others. These let you post goods for sale or bid for items to buy, so you can find a new home for your items and make a little money to boot.



Or use the increasingly popular Freecycle, where you can easily find a new home for your unwanted items by posting them as free "giveaways". It's a great way of using the things you no longer need by helping local people put them to good use. Go to www.uk.freecycle.org to register and start clearing the clutter from your home. There are already nine groups in Somerset with over 20,000 members.

A few more:

www.swapcycle.co.uk

www.swapz.co.uk

www.swapitshop.com (18 and under swap site regulated for child protection)

www.auctionlotwatch.co.uk (list of auction websites)

www.bumblebeeauctions.co.uk (police auctions in the somerset area)

Some local communities are now setting up their own swap and reuse sites. Look out for one near you and if you don't have one why not set one up?