

Recycling business! big now Oxfordshire has the highest recycling rate in the country, with almost half our waste being recycled. Just ten years ago, it was much less, but we can still do better. The total of recycled materials collected from Oxford's blue bins, food caddies and brown bins last year was 21,791.94 tonnes!



Old aluminium drinks cans can be remade into....



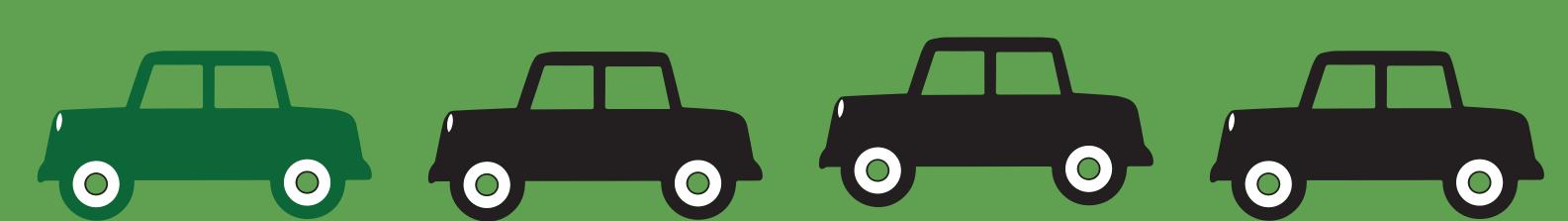






...even aeroplanes!

25 percent of all cars are made from recycled metal! They use steel, aluminium and copper.



Recycling aluminium uses 95 percent

less energy than smelting new

Of course, unlike many plastics, metal and glass will eventually break down if buried. Although we are getting better at recycling, we still throw away many thousands of tonnes of metal every year. Perhaps, as these break down, the landfills of today will become so enriched in metal that they will become the mines of tomorrow?! Probably that is just wishful thinking...

Far better to remember what effort goes into the production of metal, and to RECYCLE IT WITH CARE!