



WMRC's Elected Members' Bulletin

1 October 2018

1. Introduction

The WMRC Elected Members' Bulletin serves to provide a summary update to elected members on WMRC issues and developments in the periods between WMRC Council meetings. It's issued fortnightly.

2. Safety

There have been no safety incidents in the past fortnight. We're in process of making some improvements to our documentation identified during the course of a recent independent safety systems audit.

Regular toolbox meetings at the Waste Transfer Station continue to be held early every second Wednesday morning.

3. Legal

Last week DiCOM lodged their statement in support of their appeal against Justice Archer's judgement of the Service Charge case. We have until 19 October to prepare and file our response. The appeal itself is not likely to be heard until March 2019; and the judgement may take up to three months to be handed down.

The application for costs in the Service Charge proceedings has been listed for hearing at 10.30am on 10 October 2018.

Court-supervised mediation before the Supreme Court will be held on the remaining aspects of the Service Charge case and the Declarations Proceeding. The Court is working out suitable dates for the mediation which will be attended by our legal team, Aimee Hynes and me. We anticipate the mediation might be held at some time in November. Our Chairman and Deputy will attend as observers.

4. Waste to Energy

New Energy Corporation and SUEZ have reached agreement on SUEZ being appointed as the exclusive supplier of Commercial & Industrial waste to the proposed New Energy waste to energy facility at East Rockingham. Suez will also lead Operations & Maintenance. Under the arrangement, SUEZ will supply 65,000 tpa of C&I waste on a committed basis to the project.

The East Rockingham RRF Project now has 70% of plant capacity contracted on a long-term basis, moving the project towards financial close and a commencement of construction in 2019.

New Energy and SUEZ have launched a program targeting select prospective Council customers Citing the opportunity for foundation customers only available until plant fully contracted at c.280ktpa of Year 1 waste volumes.

5. Waste Transfer Station Security

In reviewing quotes for upgrade of security at the Brockway Rd transfer station, we have reverted back to bidders in asking for pricing on movement-sensitive lighting.

6. Community and Industry Engagement Grant

We have released an RFQ for Stage 1 of our project to measure and improve the effectiveness of our Communications and Education function. The \$75k project is being funded by a Waste Authority Community and Industry Engagement Grant.

7. WMRC Branding and Identity

We are looking to establish a new brand and identity for WMRC. The project will include the merging of our two current websites (WMRC and Earth Carers) into a single user-friendly site; the development of a new logo and tagline; and new simplified objective and value statements.

8. Earth Carers' Course

Our next Earth Carers' Course starts this week on Wednesday 3 October in Claremont. We have 34 people enrolled.

9. Staff

We're in process of recruiting a replacement Communications and Education support officer to replace Christine Parfitt who has joined the Rottne island Authority.



Stefan Frodsham
Chief Executive Officer