

WMRC's Elected Members' Bulletin

15 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. Regular toolbox meetings at the Waste Transfer Station continue to be held early every second Wednesday morning. A revised induction manual is being developed for the Transfer Station.

3. Legal

Work continues on our initial response to DiCOM's appeal against Justice Archer's judgement of the Service Charge case, which is due 19 October. 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 was heard before the court 10 October 2018. WMRC was successful in obtaining all the orders sought with some minor amendments. Security of costs for the appeal has been agreed, with DiCOM to provide \$46,000 of security to each WMRC and the City of Stirling.

Court-supervised mediation before the Supreme Court has been listed for Friday, 16 November 2018. The mediation which will be attended by our legal team, Aimee Hynes and me; our Chairman and Deputy will attend as observers.

4. WMRC Branding and Identity

Following Council resolution accepting our new brand and logo, we are progressively creating collateral using the new branding.

5. Recycling rule changes communications

Material detailing the new Perth-wide consistent recycling communications is the first example using the new branding and has just been circulated to Member Councils' officers in electronic format (copies attached to this email). Printed copies will be distributed to community facilities.

6. Draft Waste Strategy

We are working in conjunction with WALGA to assess the State Government's recently released Draft Waste Strategy which is open for comment until 6th November. A WMRC submission will be circulated to our Councillors for approval as soon as it is ready. A copy of the Draft Waste Strategy is available [here](#).

7. Community and Industry Engagement Grant

We are evaluating proposals for Stage 1 of our \$75k state government funded project to assess and improve our community education function.

8. National Recycling Week

National Recycling Week is 12 to 18 November and we are using this opportunity to promote the recycling rule changes, visit a Materials Recovery Facility, hold a community workshop and work with the City of Subiaco on an E-waste drop off day. More details to follow.

9. Staff

I return from overseas on 18 October and Aimee Hynes will be overseas until 1 November. We have interviewed for a Communications and Education Support Officer and have hired a new Transfer Station Attendant, Ben Beckingham. We will be appointing a new contract Support Services Officer (Maternity Leave cover) shortly.



Stefan Frodsham

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