# **WMRC Bulletin**

29 June 2020

### 1. Introduction

The WMRC Bulletin serves to provide a summary update on key issues and developments in the periods between WMRC Council meetings. It is issued fortnightly and circulated to WMRC Councillors, Deputies, CEOs and key office bearers across the region we serve.

#### 2. Resident Access Pass

The remaining Member Councils' residents' Resident Access Passes (including waste passes where appropriate) are being printed and will be delivered to contacts in each Member Council for inclusion in the rates notices. FAQs have been emailed to front desks on how these and the new waste passes will operate in the new financial year.

Waste passes (previously called tip passes) will be purchased by residents at the weighbridge rather than over the front desks in the new financial year. The old card passes will be valid until end 2020.

## 3. New Fees and Charges

The 2020/21 Fees and Charges are on the website <u>here</u> and offer significant discounts to Member Councils and their residents. Paper copies will be distributed to your front desks.

## 4. Even more improvements at West Metro Recycling Centre







We have much improved the external presentation of the West Metro Recycling Centre, using our own free mulch of course! And completed the new Household Hazardous Waste shed (signage to follow).

Our modern new weighbridge software will be in use from 2 July and will greatly improve reporting. Discussions and planning are progressing to renew our waste transfer infrastructure as the existing silos are nearing the end of their useful lives.

We remain happy to conduct site tours for interested parties. Please contact keith.swift@wmrc.wa.gov.au

### 5. Construction and Demolition waste receival



A discount rate of just \$60 per tonne + GST for the receival of Construction and Demolition waste applies to Member Councils and their residents. That's great value for money, especially when considering that the material is recycled. Two years ago our member councils were charged \$280 per tonne + GST for landfill disposal of this material.

## 6. WMRC Waste to Energy service

Our Request for Tender for the receipt of residual waste from the West Metro RC for energy recovery purposes is open until 13 July. This service will also be offered to other councils in our catchment area.

#### 7. Local Government and resident waste information

A summary of issues around waste for Local Governments is available on the website <u>"Waste Matters for Local Government"</u> and is also available as a PowerPoint slideshow on request.

We recorded our last two Waste Watchers Webinars and they are now available on our YouTube channel for anyone with queries around how to deal with residential waste: Bin Basics here and Composting and Worms here.

## 8. Plastic Free July

We are working with relevant staff to make the most of the Council membership of Plastic Free July purchased on behalf of our Member Councils. We have one special in-person event planned:



Wednesday 8 July The Grove Library 6:30

Rebecca Prince Ruiz – "Plastic Free" Book Launch

#### **Book here**

Bookings essential - numbers strictly limited



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