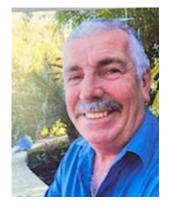
# **WMRC Bulletin**

13 July 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. Vale John Cummins



We were greatly saddened at the passing of John Cummins on 30 June after a long illness. He was our long-serving site supervisor at the West Metro Recycling Centre and had worked for the WMRC 28 years and at the Brockway Tip for the 4 years prior. John loved his work and was always loyal, diligent, and kind. He will be sorely missed.

His daughter Cody works for us in the weighbridge office.

# 3. Verge Valet Cottesloe

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We are very happy that the Town of Cottesloe has opted to join the Town of Mosman Park in having verge waste collected from residents through the Verge Valet system. Indications from the first five months of Mosman Park's

service are that resident satisfaction remains very high and annual costs remain on target. The household opt in rate for bulk waste is 34%, for greens is 28% and the system is resulting in a 30-40% decrease in waste collected when compared to 2018/19 waste census data. We have revised our communications package; the revised brochures will be distributed through both Towns with rate notices.

### 4. Resident Access Pass

We are now charging non-Member Council residents a \$25 entry fee at the West Metro Recycling Centre. Member Council residents still have free entry upon proof of residence. A driver's licence will suffice until the Residents Access Passes are received with rates notices. FAQs have been emailed to front desks on how these and the new waste passes will operate in the new financial year.

Please ensure any remaining old-style waste passes (tip passes) are destroyed. The Resident Access Pass includes new style waste passes for Mosman Park, Claremont, and Peppermint Grove. When these are used up or for Subiaco and Cottesloe residents, these will now be dealt with at the Recycling Centre rather than over the front desks. Any old card passes already in residents' possession will be only valid until end 2020.

## 5. New Fees and Charges

The 2020/21 Fees and Charges are on the website and offer significant discounts to Member Councils and their residents. There are a couple of minor tweaks to be made to them at the August WMRC OCM and professionally printed copies will be available then. In the interim, a copy is available here.

#### 6. Construction and Demolition waste receival



Our new Construction and Demolition waste receival service is proving popular. The rate for Member Councils and their residents is just \$60 per tonne + GST. The material is recycled.

# 7. Federal MP visits West Metro Recycling Centre





As part of our plan to modernise our transfer system at the West Metro Recycling Centre we hosted a visit by Celia Hammond, the Federal Member for Curtin.

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

# 8. WMRC Waste to Energy service

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

#### 9. WMRC FOGO service

We have an RFQ open for the processing of FOGO material as our licence amendment is almost finalised. Given that FOGO processing is an immature market, and we expect costs to drop in the coming years, this RFQ is short term.

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