

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. Past Bulletins are posted on our website at <https://www.wmrc.wa.gov.au/about-us/publications/wmrc-bulletin/>

2. Town of Cambridge – Verge Valet

The Town of Cambridge looks set to build on their new WMRC Participating Council status to become the third council in our catchment area to take on the *Verge Valet* pre-booked bulk waste collection service. Positive resident feedback from Mosman Park and Cottesloe has helped Town of Cambridge Committee unanimously recommend that Council adopt Verge Valet from 1 November 2020. Eighty percent of Mosman Park users and eighty-eight percent of Cottesloe users prefer Verge Valet to the traditional scheduled service. In addition, its roll-out to date demonstrates it will likely cost less than the traditional service.

3. Waste Watchers Workshop



We are very happy to be back presenting a workshop face to face. **This Thursday** at the Town of Claremont's offices.

Registration essential.

To encourage council staff and elected members to learn about Bin Basics and Recycling Right we are inviting you to attend the next Waste Watchers Workshop for free of charge. To [book a free spot](#), please use the promo code: **WASTEWISE**

4. WasteSorted Grant applications

The WMRC has applied for three grants under this DWER funding round. Historically these rounds have been significantly oversubscribed, however we remain hopeful. The three grants we have applied for are:

- a cardboard compactor;
- video clips filmed in our area to promote DWERs “BE a GREAT Sort” campaign; and
- community waste activities framed by the “Be a GREAT Sort” campaign

You will be seeing DWER's campaign material in the media which incorporates their previously developed icons. The messaging is based on social research findings. Details here: <https://www.wastesorted.wa.gov.au/>



GREAT is an acronym:

- G – Give – to charity, sell or swap
- R – Recycle – the top 5
- E – Earthcycle – compost or FOGO
- A – Avoid – excess packaging
- T – Take – HHW etc to drop-off points

5. Binting to resume in October

The binting program, suspended in March due to COVID, is to be completed in October with a focus on households/areas where higher contamination levels were found previously. Bin tagging is one of the few direct ways to see which items are causing residents the most problems in knowing which bins to use and to provide them with direct feedback.

6. Containers for Change

Locations have been announced for the Container Deposit Scheme, [Containers for Change](#), which will start state-wide from 1 October coordinated by [WARRRL](#). We will be supporting the local Refund Point at [Paraquad Industries in Shenton Park](#) run by *Return-It* by having their donation bins available onsite at the West Metro RC. There will be several types of refund points:

Return point type	Details	Local locations
Depot	Manual or machine counting and cash or EFT refunds	Paraquad/Return-It, Shenton Park, Fremantle Recycling Centre
Bagdrop	Requires pre-registered Scheme ID and bags EFT refunds	Greenbatch, Showgrounds and Therapeutic Riding Centre
Reverse Vending Machine	Requires pre-registered Scheme ID, EFT refunds	Roe St, Perth TOMRA, Myaree
Popup	Cash or EFT refunds	None in our area

Donations will be collections like those at the West Metro RC. You will also be able to donate through your Scheme ID settings.

7. STOMP



Once again, the WMRC had a presence at this Town of Mosman Park annual event with young participants sorting waste icons into the correct bins.

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