

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

Cambridge

We are delighted that the Town of Cambridge will upgrade to Verge Valet for their residents from 3 November. Website, staff training, and communications material for our pre-booked bulk waste service are under development by WMRC. This move triggers another 3.5% discount in the collection charges for the Towns of Mosman Park and Cottesloe.

In addition, we anticipate that our Communications and Education Team will work closely with the Town's Waste Minimisation Officer.

3. Plant Pot Recycling

Western Metropolitan Regional Council

CLAW ENVIRONMENTAL

PLASTIC PLANT POT RECYCLING

New!

at the West Metro Recycling Centre
Corner of Brockway Rd and 60 Lemnos St, Shenton Park WA

Plastic plant pots can then be recycled back into:
crates, pots, compost bins, garden edging, irrigation fittings, building panels and much more!

Managing Waste Wisely for

CLAREMONT | Town of Cottesloe | MOSMAN PARK | Shire of Peppermint Grove | SUBIACO | Town of Cambridge

Our latest exciting new service at the West Metro Recycling Centre for Member and Participating Councils and their residents starts today.

Plant Pots (excluding the little crinkly seedling ones) are recycled by Claw Environmental.

The service is free for all residents of Member and Participating Councils.

4. West Metro RC is FOGO and C+D ready.

The operating licence for the West Metro RC has been expanded to include an annual 10,000T of FOGO waste, 10,000 of Construction and Demolition Waste and 500T of Asbestos. This makes the WMRC one of the first transfer stations to be licensed to handle FOGO in the Metro Area.

5. Binting tagging restarts



The binting tagging program has restarted with a focus on households/areas where higher contamination levels were found previously. Weather permitting, it is expected to be finished at the end of this month.

6. Modern Cloth Nappy workshop



Modern Cloth nappies are nothing like the old towelling and safety pin models; disposable nappies (even so-called compostable ones) should always be landfilled. Almost 800million disposable nappies are landfilled across Australia every year with each child using around 6000 nappies.

Modern cloth nappies are easier to use than you think, save money, and create less waste.

Please promote this workshop to residents and friends. Booking essential – [here](#).

7. WMRC's Waste Plan

The Council of the WMRC has approved the [Waste Plan](#) and it now passes to DWER for their approval. The WMRC waste plan seeks to be an enabler for Member Council Waste Plans. The main activities under each DWER-approved heading are:

- **Waste Services:** Verge Valet coordination, preparation for FOGO and Waste to Energy receipt
- **Waste Infrastructure:** Improving site configuration and equipment
- **Policies and Procurement:** maximise material and energy recovery including in own procurement
- **Behaviour Change Programs/initiatives:** Ensure activities aligned with best practice and remain targeted to Member Council needs
- **Data:** improve data accessibility

8. DWER Consultation on WARR Act review

A discussion paper has been released by DWER with the aim of considering the effectiveness of the WARR Act in meeting waste reduction and resource recovery aims – closing date 25 November. WALGA is hosting an online consultation on [the review of the WARR act](#), the [Auditor General's report](#) into Waste Management Service Delivery and the recent [Waste Derived Materials Framework](#) on Thursday 15 October. WMRC will attend, [to register click here](#).

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Stefan Frodsham'.

Stefan Frodsham - Chief Executive Officer