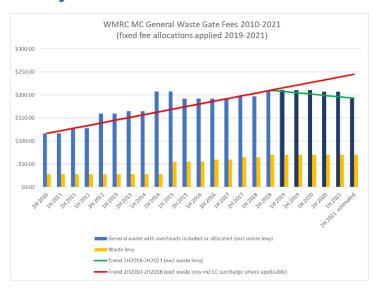
WMRC Bulletin

19 April 2021

1. Introduction

The WMRC Bulletin provides a fortnightly 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 here.

2. Key data



We have recently analysed WMRC gate fees for general waste since 2010 and found some useful information.

The change in the WMRC strategic plan and business model that began in 2018-19 is leading to an overall reduction in fees for Member Councils - as evident when the Member Council fixed fee contributions are retrofitted to the published Member Council gate fee.

If you would like the full report, please email the CEO.

3. City of Vincent FOGO

We are very proud to be able to inform you that we have been successful in our submission to the City of Vincent to use the West Metro Recycling Centre as a transfer station for their FOGO material to be processed at Bunbury Harvey Regional Council's facility near Bunbury. This service will commence from October of this year and is anticipated to be for about 5,000T per annum. The FOGO material will lift the throughput of the transfer station by around 40 percent.

4. Waste to Energy contract and briefings



We realise that it may feel like this contract has been a long time coming. By way of context, it took another Regional Council 3 years to finalise its waste to energy contract. Our draft Waste to Energy contract is currently with the proponent's lawyers for final checking. We will be contacting CEOs to set up briefings for Member Council Elected Members soon.

Key features of the contract to treat general (red lid) waste

include no guaranteed quantity or calorific value of waste, a competitive price, and arrangements to accept waste for transfer from beyond our Member Councils.



Managing waste wisely

Member Councils

5. Clean your greens



This project to ensure a best-in-class GO bin stream to our processors is proving successful with a steadily decreased quantity of contamination picked from the GO bins by WMRC staff. We are noting that the contamination is mostly coming from repeat offenders and are putting processes into place to combat the issue.

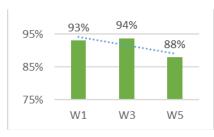
The image is of our new Garden Organics bin sticker. We have matching stickers for General and Recycling bins.

6. Bintagging interim data

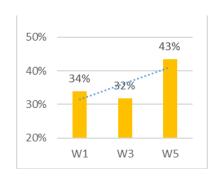
Percentage of bins with no contamination



Mosman Park – Garden Organics Tuesday



Mosman Park – Garden Organics Wednesday



Claremont - Recycling Thursday

Bintagging is nearly complete for Mosman Park and Claremont. Results have been most pleasing and have pointed us to areas needing further communication. Overall, the program seems to be cleaning up both the GO and recycling bins. Expect to see more communication on only garden organics in the GO bins and how to dispose of soft plastics.

This project is supported by the Government of Western Australia, administered by the Waste Authority and expertly delivered across the western suburbs by the WMRC.

7. Recycling facility tour



This popular tour is scheduled for 12 May at 10am. Jointly with the SMRC we are offering residents the chance to see round the Regional Resource Recovery Centre in Canning Vale and participate in a brief waste education workshop. Entering the code WASTEWISE will waive the \$5+BF charge. Booking information here.



Stefan Frodsham - Chief Executive Officer