



RESOURCE RECOVERY AND WASTE MINIMISATION

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POLICY OBJECTIVES

To provide guidance and direction to the City for the best practice waste management and the ~~minimisation of domestic waste going to landfill,~~ maximisation of resource recovery, whilst also providing a value for money service to our residents.

POLICY SCOPE

To provide a statement on the City's position with regard to resource recovery and waste management ~~and and minimisation framework~~ to guide the operations and the development of future strategies to achieve environmentally and socially responsible waste management and resource recovery outcomes. ~~the diversion of waste from landfill through resource recovery.~~

DEFINITIONS / ABBREVIATIONS USED IN POLICY

~~SMRC~~—Southern Metropolitan Regional Council (~~SMRC~~), trading as Resource Recovery Group (RRG).

POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Melville ~~is~~ has committed to ~~the reduction in the volume of domestic waste being placed in landfill and over the last decade has achieved the previous State Government Waste Strategy target of 65% diversion of domestic waste from landfill by 2020. The the~~ State Government's Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy 2030 and the establishment of ~~has established~~ new targets for waste diversion from landfill, now termed material recovery targets, of 70% by 2025 and 75% by 2030.

A significant strategy to help the City meet and seek to exceed ~~this goal~~ these targets is the City's membership of and partnership with, ~~investment in and support of~~ the SMRC, and its' resource recovery programs ~~waste composting and material recovery programs, in which the City participates~~. In addition to the State Government target, the City seeks to continuously improve its performance in a range of best practice waste management activities on behalf of residents and ratepayers.

The City of Melville is committed to reducing our impacts on climate change by the development and support of recycling and resource recovery strategies in support of sustainable and responsible disposal management of domestic waste. ~~The City's approach also contributes positively towards its Carbon Neutral targets by 2030 (organisation) and 2050 (City-wide).~~



The ~~City introduced~~ ~~introduction of the~~ ~~a~~ 3-bin Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) system ~~in 2017, as a trial, was followed by the full rollout of the FOGO 3 bin system~~ in 2019 which places the City of Melville as one of the leading Local Governments in waste management throughout Western Australia.

~~Residents can request additional bin capacity which will initiate an audit and evaluation process to determine waste management requirements.~~

The City- will comply with the following objectives:

- Conservation of and efficient use of resources.
- Providing safe and efficient waste management and disposal resource recovery.
- Continually improve services to maximise material resource recovery and encourage active community participation in waste management.
- Compliance with regulatory requirements.

Within our operations, the City will:

- Recognise the needs of the community by providing best practice services for the management removal and disposal of all domestic waste generated.
- Work in partnership with the SMRC to provide targeted waste education programs and material for the City's residents.
- Ensure all the waste collected from our residents and businesses is disposed or processed in licenced facilities for disposal at landfill or processing at material recovery facilities is delivered to only properly constructed, engineered and environmentally managed landfill and processing sites in compliance with the Department of Water & Environment Regulation requirements.
- Provide a cost effective, diverse and sustainable waste collection service to encourage maximum participation in recycling and resource recovery.
- Support a waste management hierarchy as follows:
 - Avoidance
 - Recovery
 - Re-use
 - Reprocessing
 - Recycling
 - Energy Recovery
 - ~~-Disposal~~

Support the Circular Economy concept in our operations and waste management activities in the community by:

- Supporting the local processing of recyclable material in Australia, and in accordance with Council of Australian Government (COAG) recycling commitments and the establishment of local recycling industries and markets in the region.
- Constantly seeking out innovative and new technologies to assist the Policy scope.



References that may be applicable to this Policy

Legislative Requirements:	Waste and Resource Recovery Act 2007
Procedure, Process Maps, Work Instructions:	N/A
Other Plans, Frameworks, Documents Applicable to Policy:	N/A
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