

WASTE MINIMISATION

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POLICY OBJECTIVES

To provide guidance and direction to the City for the minimisation of domestic waste going to landfill, 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 waste minimisation and a high level framework to guide the development of future strategies to achieve diversion of waste from landfill through resource recovery.

DEFINITIONS / ABBREVIATIONS USED IN POLICY

SMRC – Southern Metropolitan Regional Council.

POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Melville has committed to the reduction in the volume of domestic waste being placed in landfill in accordance with State Government Waste Strategy target of 65% diversion of domestic waste from landfill by 2020. A significant strategy to help the City meet and seek to exceed this goal is the City's membership of, investment in and support of the SMRC and its' 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 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 of domestic waste.

We will comply with the following objectives:

- Conservation of and efficient use of resources.
- Providing safe and efficient disposal.
- Compliance with regulatory requirements.



Within our Operations we will:

- Recognise the need of the community by providing adequate services for the 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 waste collected for disposal at landfill is delivered to only properly constructed, engineered and environmentally managed landfill 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:
 - Waste Avoidance
 - Waste Reduction
 - Waste Recovery and Re-use
 - Recycling
 - Waste Disposal



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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ORIGIN/AUTHORITY

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REVIEWS

Corporate & Community Services Committee	04/12/2001	A01/1018
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