

EASTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY ORDINARY BOARD MEETING

Thursday 22 June 2023

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of The Board of the Eastern Waste Management Authority will be held in the Mayor's Parlour, City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, 175 The Parade, Norwood, on Thursday 22 June 2023 commencing at 5:30pm.

ROB GREGORY GENERAL MANAGER

Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to acknowledge this land that we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kaurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their country.

We also acknowledge the Kaurna people as the custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.



EASTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

AGENDA

ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT Meeting to be held on Thursday 22 June 2023 commencing at 5:30pm, at the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, 175 The Parade, Norwood

- 1. PRESENT
- 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY
- 3. APOLOGIES
- 4. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
- 5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES
 - **RECOMMENDED:** 1. That the Minutes of the Eastern Waste Management Authority Board Meeting held on 4 May 2023, be received, confirmed and adopted.

2. That the Minutes of the Eastern Waste Management Authority Audit & Risk Management Committee Meeting held on 13 June 2023, be received, confirmed and adopted.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

8. **PRESENTATIONS**

- 8.1 ACCU PRESENTATION (Mark Rawson, Managing Director, Rawtec)
- 8.2 FOGO TRIALS (Rob Gregory)
- 8.3 2022/23 EDUCATION DELIVERY (Megan Bekesi)

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11.1 GENERAL MANAGER LEAVE

11. NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD

The next Ordinary Board Meeting is proposed to be held on: Thursday 21 September 2023, at the Mayor's Parlour, City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters, 175 The Parade, Norwood

12. CLOSURE OF MEETING



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY BOARD MEETING OF THE EASTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

held on Thursday 4 May 2023, commencing at 5:30pm, at the Mayor's Parlour, City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Meeting opened at 5.32pm

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2. PRESENT

Directors:

Mr F Bell	Independent Chairperson
Cr Ted Jennings	City of Burnside
Mr A Wiguna (proxy)	Campbelltown City Council
Mayor H Holmes-Ross	City of Mitcham
Cr C Clutterham	City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters
Mr S Dilena	City of Prospect
Cr J Allanson (proxy)	Corporation of the Town of Walkerville
Mr C Malak	City of Unley

In Attendance:

Cr McFarlane	City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters
Mr J Jovicevic	Dean Newbery & Partners
Ms W Bevan	KESAB
Mr R Gregory	General Manager
Mr D Maywald	Manager Business Services
Ms K Vandermoer	Coordinator Finance & Strategic Projects
Ms J Falco	Service Excellence Coordinator
Ms P Foy	Executive Administration Officer

3. APOLOGIES

Mr P Di Iulio	Campbelltown City Council
Mayor M Jones	Corporation of the Town of Walkerville
Cr L Huxter	Adelaide Hills Council

4. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Mr Gregory declared a perceived conflict of interest under Item 8.1 on the basis of his position as a KESAB Board Member. Mr Gregory will remain in the meeting as KESAB is providing a presentation only and no decisions will be made.

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

 Moved Cr Clutterham that the Minutes of the Eastern Waste Management Authority Ordinary Board Meeting held on Thursday 23 February 2023, be received confirmed, and adopted.

Seconded Mayor Holmes-Ross

Carried

 Moved Mr Bell that the Minutes of the Eastern Waste Management Authority Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 26 April 2023, be received, confirmed and adopted.
 Seconded Mayor Holmes-Ross
 Carried

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

7. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil.

8. **PRESENTATIONS**

8.1 KESAB EDUCATION OVERVIEW

Presentation by Ms Wendy Bevan, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Bevan left the meeting at 6.23pm

8.2 SUBSIDIARY FINANCES

Presentation by Mr John Jovicevic, Partner, Dean Newbery Partners and Ms Kelly Vandermoer, Coordinator Finance & Strategic Projects, East Waste

9. **REPORTS**

9.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: BUDGET REVIEW THREE

Moved Cr Clutterham that the Board notes and accepts the forecasted end of year FY2023 result associated with the 2022/23 Budget Review Three. Seconded Mr Malak Carried

9.2 REBATE & DISTRIBUTION POLICY REVIEW

Moved Mr Dilena that the Board endorses the Draft Rebate & Distribution Policy, as presented in Attachment A. Seconded Cr Jennings Carried

9.3 ANNUAL REPORTING CALENDAR

Moved Cr Allanson that the Board endorses the East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar, as presented in Attachment A, as a base document for tracking the key legislative and governance reporting requirements.

Seconded Mayor Holmes-Ross

Carried

9.4 ANNUAL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

Moved Cr Jennings that the report be received and noted. Seconded Mayor Holmes-Ross

Carried

10. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 SA WOMEN OF WARR LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST

Noted that Cr Clutterham, Mr Gregory, Ms Vandermoer and Ms Falco attended the Women of WARR (Waste Management & Resource Recovery Association of Australia) Leadership Breakfast networking event.

11.2 COUNCIL WASTE CONTRACTS

Administration will arrange a Board Workshop to discuss Council Waste Contracts.

12. NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD

The next Ordinary Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday 22 June 2023, commencing at 5:30pm, at the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, 175 The Parade, Norwood.

13. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.29pm

DATE: _____

CHAIRPERSON: _____p____



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE EASTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

held on Tuesday 13 June 2023 in the Boardroom, Thomson Geer, 7/19 Gouger Street, Adelaide

Meeting opened at 8.01am

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2. PRESENT

Mrs E Hinchey	Independent Member/Chair
Mr F Bell	Independent Board Chair
Ms S Di Blasio	Independent Member
Ms L Green	Independent Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr J Jovicevic	Dean Newbery
Mr R Gregory	General Manager
Mr D Maywald	Manager Business Services
Ms K Vandermoer	Coordinator Finance & Strategic Projects
Ms P Foy	Executive Administration Officer

3. APOLOGIES

Mr P Di Iulio

Board Member

4. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

Mr Bell declared that he was recently appointed to a Board related to aged care with Flinders University.

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES – 26 April 2023

Moved Ms Green that the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 26 April 2023 be received and noted. Seconded Ms Di Blasio Carried

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

- 7. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE
 - Nil.

8. PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

9. REPORTS

9.1 ANNUAL PLAN & BUDGET ENDORSEMENT

Moved Ms Di Blasio that the Committee recommends the draft 2023/24 Annual Plan and Budget, as presented in Attachment A, and as endorsed by all Member Councils, is presented to the Board for endorsement.

Seconded Ms Green

Carried

9.2 LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

Moved Ms Di Blasio that the Committee notes the draft principles and assumptions presented within the draft Long Term Financial Plan, and recommends to the Board for endorsement.

Seconded Mr Bell

Carried

Mr Jovicevic left the meeting at 9.22am Mr Gregory left the meeting at 9.22am Mr Maywald left the meeting at 9.22am Ms Vandermoer left the meeting at 9.22am Ms Foy left the meeting at 9.22am

The Audit & Risk Committee held an in camera discussion.

Mr Gregory returned the meeting at 9.28am Mr Maywald returned the meeting at 9.28am Ms Vandermoer returned the meeting at 9.28am Ms Foy returned the meeting at 9.28am

9.3 STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Moved Ms Green that the Committee notes the report. Seconded Mr Bell

Carried

9.4 COMPLAINT HANDLING POLICY

Moved Ms Di Blasio that the Committee recommends that the Complaint Handling Policy, as presented in Attachment A, is endorsed for presentation to the East Waste Board.

Seconded Mr Bell

Carried

Ms Green left the meeting at 9.34am

9.5 BOARD AND AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION FRAMEWORK

Moved Mr Bell that the Committee recommends that the draft Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee Performance Evaluation Framework, and Evaluation forms as amended in Attachment A & B, are presented to the Board for endorsement.

Seconded Ms Di Blasio

9.6 INVESTIGATION OF AUSTRALIAN CARBON CREDIT UNITS REPORTS

Moved Mr Bell that the Committee notes and receives the Investigation of Australian Carbon Credit Units Report. Seconded Ms Di Blasio Carried

9.7 ANNUAL REPORTING CALENDAR

Moved Mr Bell that the Committee notes the East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar, as presented in Attachment A. Seconded Ms Di Blasio Carried

10. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

12. NEXT MEETING OF THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The next Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting is to be held on: Tuesday 12 September 2023, commencing 8:00am, in the Boardroom, Thomson Geer, 7/19 Gouger Street, Adelaide.

12. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.51am

PRESIDING MEMBER

___DATE _____

Carried

9.1: DRAFT 2023/24 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN & BUDGET

REPORT AUTHOR:	General Manager
ATTACHMENTS:	A: Draft 2023/24 Annual Plan
	B: Member Council Consent

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board with a copy of Member Council feedback on the draft East Waste 2023/24 Annual Plan and draft budget and seek endorsement of the final document.

Background

Section 51 of the Eastern Waste Management Authority Charter (Charter) requires the Authority to have an Annual Plan which supports and informs its Budget. At the meeting held 23 February 2023, the East Waste Board resolved:

8.3 DRAFT 2023/24 ANNUAL PLAN & BUDGET

- 1. Moved Mr Dilena that the Board endorses the East Waste 2023/24 Annual Plan, as amended in Attachment A, to include additional information relating to the identification of capital, operating and recurrent expenditure associated with the actions outlined in the Plan. Seconded: Mayor Holmes-Ross Carried
- 2. Moved Cr Clutterham that the Board endorses the associated draft budget and proposed Member Council Fees. Seconded: Cr Huxter Carried
- 3. Moved Cr Huxter that the Board authorises the General Manager to distribute to each Member Council for review and comment, the Draft 2022/23 Annual Plan, as amended in Resolution 1, along with the proposed fees. Carried

Seconded: Mayor Jones

The Annual Plan and Budget (proposed fees – Section 53 of the Charter) was subsequently distributed to Member Councils for their review prior to the mandated 31 May timeframe (Section 52.3 of the Charter).



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Report

The 2023/24 Annual Plan, inclusive of Financial Statements is presented in full in Attachment A (refer Attachment A). No amendments have been made to the Annual Plan or budget as a result of the Member Council review process and there are no known future activities are likely to impact the finances which will result in significant changes to the budget.

Consent of draft 2023/24 Annual Plan

As per Clause 52.3 of the Charter, Member Councils only consent to the Annual Plan, not their fees and charges, albeit the fees and charges form part of the financial statements contained within the Annual Plan. All Member Councils have consented to the Annual Plan (refer Attachment B for a copy of Member Council letters).

The Audit & Risk Management Committee considered the East Waste 2023/24 Annual Plan at the meeting held 13 June 2023 and resolved:

9.1 ANNUAL PLAN & BUDGET ENDORSEMENT

Moved Ms Di Blasio that the Committee recommends the draft 2023/24 Annual Plan and Budget, as presented in Attachment A, and as endorsed by all Member Councils, is presented to the Board for endorsement. Seconded Ms Green Carried

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

- 1. Endorses the 2023/24 Annual Business Plan and Budget, inclusive of all projects and expenditure, as presented in Attachment A.
- 2. Authorises East Waste to apply and borrow funds up to \$2,200,000 for the budgeted replacement of up to five (5) Collection Vehicles as identified within East Waste's Fleet Asset Management Plan 2020-2030, the replacement of operational motor vehicles and minor facility improvements.
- 3. The Board authorises the Chair & General Manager to execute required loan documentation and the affixation of the common seal on behalf of East Waste.



2023/24 Annual Plan

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VISION

The Destination

To be the leading waste logistics company in Australia through the delivery of innovative collection and resource management services.

MISSION

The Vehicle

Delivering leading-edge solutions and services for a cleaner and sustainable future.

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Executive Summary

Having onboarded the City of Unley in the last half of 2022, East Waste now has eight high-quality Member Councils which it provides an array of kerbside waste and services to. This equates to over 40% of South Australia's metropolitan Councils and approximately 25% of the Adelaide population.

The focus of the FY24 Annual Plan is diverse, however has three primary focus areas:

- 1. A continuation of activities designed to improve the connection and interaction with residents seeking to engage with East Waste.
- 2. Progression of behaviour change programs, principally around food diversion from landfill to organics.
- 3. Strengthening the integrity of our internal systems, processes and framework in order to reduce risk and improve our already high Governance levels.

Sharp CPI increases, including the highest quarter increase in the past 30 years, necessitates East Waste curbing expenditure in several other areas to mitigate the impost on Member Councils. Fuel continues to remain volatile, making confident forward projections challenging.

Background

East Waste is the trading name of Eastern Waste Management Authority, which was established in 1928. The Authority is a regional subsidiary of the Adelaide Hills Council, City of Burnside, Campbelltown City Council, City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, City of Mitcham, City of Prospect, City of Unley and Town of Walkerville.

East Waste is governed by a Charter (<u>the Charter</u>) pursuant to *Section 43* of the *Local Government Act 1999* and administered by a Board, which includes a director appointed by each Council and an Independent Chair. Through the admission of the City of Unley as a Member Council, East Waste undertook the required periodic review of the Charter which has now been endorsed by all Member Councils and is live.

Clause 51 of the Charter requires the Authority each year to have an Annual Plan which supports and informs the budget. Specifically, it is to include an outline of East Waste's objectives, the activities intended to be pursued, and the measurement tools defined to assess performance. It must also assess and summarise the financial requirements of East Waste and set out the proposals to recover overheads and costs from the Member Councils.

Sitting above the Annual Plan is the *East Waste 2030 Strategic Plan* which sets out a series of bold and ambitious targets (Key Performance Indicators) which we aspire to meet through five Key Objectives and a series of Strategies. The *2030 Strategic Plan* is summarised on the following page.

For full context this Plan should be read in conjunction with East Waste's broader strategic planning framework including the *Strategic Plan 2030*, Long-Term Financial Plan, and Risk Management Planning Framework.

As a regional subsidiary, East Waste recognises that success from this Annual Plan is not possible without the continued support, integration and active working partnership of all our Member Councils and key Strategic Partners. East Waste is committed to developing and continuing partnerships which ultimately drive value back to the communities we serve. The value East Waste offers is unique, in that we are continually working with our Member Councils to drive down costs. East Waste have established a model where we are nimble and respond swiftly to external impacts and Member Council requests, in a far more timely manner than industry counterparts. East Waste takes much of the worry and pressures associated with waste away from the Member Councils, allowing them to focus on other key matters of importance to them and their communities.

East Waste 2030 Strategic Plan Vision, Objectives & Strategies

VISION

To be the leading waste logistics company in Australia through the delivery of innovative collection and resource management services to our Member Councils & their Communities.

OBJECTIVES	1. Deliver cost-effective	2. Maximise source separation	3. Provide leading and	() 4. Help develop a local		5. Provide	leadershi	p	
UBJECTIVES	and efficient services facilities	and recycling	innovative behaviour change and education	circular economy	-11.2				
STRATEGIES	 Attract additional services and/or new councils where further economies of-scale can be achieved Offer a single contract for the management of the residual waste to all member councils Partner with other councils and organisations to achieve greater synergies and economies of scale in service delivery Investigate and implement collection technologies and innovation Provide a consistently high standard of Customer Service 	 2.1 Provide more service choice and flexibility to residents on kerbside services to support them to increase their recycling levels 2.2 Provide a tailored 3-stream service to Multi-Unit Dwellings (MUDs) to support waste reduction and increased recycling 2.3 Pilot a tailored service delivery model across a business precinct(s) to support waste reduction and increased recycling 	 3.1 Engage in research and projects delivering evidence-based data which increases behaviour change decision making 3.2 Develop an integrated and tailored long-term community behaviour change and education program 3.3 Identify and trial behaviour change programs aimed at reducing contamination 3.4 Encourage and support councils to introduce an incentive(s) to households to reduce their landfill volumes 3.5 Engage schools in behaviour change & waste education 	 4.1 Support local reprocessing and procurement of recycl content products 4.2 Encourage and suppo councils to procure and use recycled conte products 4.3 Support councils to implement sharing economy and reuse initiatives 4.4 Investigate options to process and extract th highest value from collected resources 	ed	5.2 Advocat Membe 5.3 Invest ir 5.4 Quality Corpora	tandards te on behal r Councils n our peopl	lf of our le parent jance &	
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KPIs	At least 75 percent (by weight) o	f total kerbside materials are se	parately collected and recycle	d by 2030	54%	60%	66%	75%	×
We will 100 percent (by weight) of total food waste is separately collected and recycled by 2030 13 [%]					40%	75%	100%		
success in reaching our	At least 60 percent (by weight) o	f kerbside materials from MUD	s are separately collected and	recycled by 2030	-	45%	50%	60%	
objectives through the	At least 60 percent (by weight) of materials from businesses serviced are separately collected and recycle					45%	50%	60%	
following KPIs	Reduce average contamination of	of kerbside commingled recycli	ing stream to less than 7 perce	ent (by weight)	12.5%	<11%	<9%	<7%	
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2023/24 Focus

At a high level, progression towards the Vision and 2030 Strategic Plan Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) will be the primary focus and sit behind all the activities that East Waste undertake in the 12 months from 1 July 2023.

The KPIs set in the 2030 Strategic Plan were deliberately designed to be stretch targets and will require creative approaches and the support and engagement with our Member Councils and external Organisations in order to achieve them. The 15 programs listed below will step East Waste towards these goals, however, are by no means a silver bullet to achieving any of the KPIs.

Objective 1: Deliver cost-effective and efficient services & facilities ensure East Waste remains true to its core function of providing high quality and fiscally efficient services to Member Councils, while at the same time seeking external opportunities which add value to the East Waste model. In addition, ensuring that we continue to have contemporary modes of engagement and facilities to deliver services is paramount.

Objective 2: Maximise Source Separation and Recycling and *Objective 3: Provide leading and innovative behaviour change and education* are centred on improving material efficiency, diversion from landfill and actively working towards the Key Performance Indicators listed within the 2030 Strategic Plan. The actions are also designed to help East Waste as an entity, achieve the State Government 2025 diversions targets (specifically Municipal Solid Waste and Food). Within these targets are specific actions centred around improving food waste efficiency and driving down the \$3.09M of wasted resources and financial costs across Member Councils each year. Food diversion remains our single biggest opportunity and with growing Member Council support and enthusiasm, the FY24 year shapes as a pivotal formation year for several exciting and rewarding programs in this space. Undoubtedly, these will reinforce East Waste as leader in the space.

Objective 4: Help Drive a Local Circular Economy, recognises that East Waste has a role to play in assisting and supporting our Members to be more engaged and active within the local circular economy space.

Objective 5: Provide Leadership, actions assist East Waste to continue to strengthen the integrity of internal systems, processes and framework and invest in our people, in order to reduce risk and improve our already high Governance levels.

The actions are far from a prescriptive list, rather the key projects East Waste intends to undertake over the 2023/24 year and more detail on each is provided below. While these will be the key focus, East Waste will remain as a fluent and adaptable Organisation that is able to pivot and respond as required to maximise funding, partnerships, opportunities and projects that will fast-track the pursuit of our KPIs.

This Annual Plan is to be effective from 1 July 2023.

Annual Plan 2023/24 Delivery Schedule

NO.	ACTIVITY/PROJECT	OVERVIEW	OBJECTIVE	STRATEGY	MAIN KPI/TARGET	BUDGET		
	DELIVER COST EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT SERVICES AND FACILITIES							
	Continue & Expand Core services	East Waste optimisation will come from providing a full suite of services to Member Councils. Where this doesn't occur, East Waste will work with the respective Councils in a bid to secure these services.	Deliver Cost Effective and efficient services and facilities	1.1	Vision Target	Recurrent		
	Investigate opportunities outside of existing Member Councils.	When potential opportunities arise, East Waste will investigate service provision to non-member Councils where value to existing Members can be realised.	Deliver Cost Effective and efficient services and facilities	1.1	Vision Target	Recurrent		
	Undertake a review of Business Facilities	East Waste currently leases Depot facilities at 1 Temple Court Ottoway. Ahead of the lease expiration, completion of a business case covering a review of existing arrangements, future needs and growth is appropriate.	Deliver Cost Effective and efficient services and facilities	1.3	Vision Target	Recurrent + Service Initiative \$0.025M		
	Establish Service Level Agreements	The establishment of Service Level Agreements (SLA) with each Member Council will better clarify roles and responsibilities across the range of delivery areas.	Deliver Cost Effective and efficient services and facilities	1.5	Vision Target	Recurrent		
	Increase Customer Engagement Opportunities	Further enhancement of customer access and engagement through online service portals for the booking of key East Waste services.	Deliver Cost Effective and efficient services and facilities	1.5	Vision Target	Recurrent + Service Initiative \$0.015M		

	MAXIMISE SOURCE SEPARATION & RECYCLING					
1.	Continue to advance a broadscale 'Choice & Flexibility model.'	Secure and deliver at least one 'Choice & Flexibility' trial with a Member Council with a view to enhancing knowledge on a full roll out for all Member Councils.	Maximise Source separation and recycling	2.1	 At least 75% of kerbside material separately collected & recycled 100% of food waste separately collected and recycled. 	Recurrent + Service Initiative \$0.075k
2.	Investigate options for identified problematic waste (ie. soft plastics) and the role East Waste can play in providing viable solutions for the community	There are several problematic waste streams and/or infant or proposed programs to address the problem. This project will investigate key issue waste streams and determine the best role East Waste can play in supporting, promoting, or implementing.	Maximise Source separation and recycling	2.1	 At least 75% of kerbside material separately collected & recycled Reduce average contamination of kerbside comingled recycling stream to less than 7% 	Recurrent

• PROVIDE LEADING AND INNOVATIVE BEHAVIOUR CHANGE AND EDUCATION

8.	Delivery of the "Why Waste It?" behaviour change program and associated social media.	Utilising the results of the reviews and biennial kerbside audits undertaken over the past 4 years, refine and deliver the ongoing successful "Why Waste It?" program.	innovative behaviour	3.2	 Vision Target 	Recurrent + Service Initiative \$0.170M
9.	Household Reporting	Utilising the latest proven technology, determine if individual household reporting, on key waste metrics can be collected and efficiently distributed to householders in a bid to improve awareness and landfill diversion.	Provide leading and innovative behaviour change and education	2.2	At least 75% of kerbside material separately collected & recycled	Recurrent + Service Initiative \$0.140M

HELP DRIVE A LOCAL CIRCULAR ECONOMY

	Engage with Recycling and Organics Processors to identify research, markets and opportunities for the strengthening of circular economy opportunities	Through contracts with two proactive Material Recovery Facilities and a long-standing relationship with Jeffries, an opportunity exists to maximise local reuse opportunities. This project will investigate new and existing opportunities and pathways to adoption by East Waste and Member Councils.	Economy	4.1	Vision Target	Recurrent
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PROVIDE LEADERSHIP

11.	Fleet Replacement	In line with the Long-Term Financial Plan, undertake the replacement of six (6) collection vehicles.	Provide Leadership	5.4	Vision Target	Capital \$2.155M
12.	Enterprise Agreement	Negotiate Enterprise Agreement for Operational Staff.	Provide Leadership	5.3	Invest in our People	Recurrent + Service Initiative \$0.020M
13.	WHS System Responsibility and Accountability	Work Health & Safety Management System Responsibility and Accountability were identified as an area for improvement within the recent LGRS risk audit. East Waste will review current relevant WHSMS responsibilities and accountabilities and where required, implement improvements to ensure greater Organisational awareness and commitment.	Provide Leadership	5.1	Implement best practice safety standards	Recurrent
14.	Risk Mitigation & Governance	 Review key finance and governance systems, and processes to identify one or more of; Process efficiency; Process integrity; Improved governance; and Knowledge improvement & retention, 	Provide Leadership	5.4	Quality & Transparent Corporate Activities.	Recurrent
15.	Implementation of Service Vision, Values and Standards.	Generate and implement across the Organisation a tailored Service Vision, Values and Standards framework, that drives a clear vision, consistency and ultimately an enhanced customer experience	Provide Leadership	5.3	Invest in our People	Recurrent + Service Initiative \$0.025M





Budget Management

East Waste operates its waste collection services on a Common Fleet Costing methodology, whereby each respective Member Council is charged directly according to the proportionate time it takes to undertake their respective collection services. This is achieved through the utilisation of a specialised, highly accurate and powerful cloud-based, real-time GPS based system, supported by detailed reporting capabilities. As a result of this, minor variations in the common fleet percentages (and therefore apportioning of Common Fleet costs) occur from year-to-year to account for realised efficiencies, changes in the number of collections undertaken and movement in collection operating costs (e.g. Development increases, Fire Ban days and events).

The Tables on the following page provide a detailed summary of the key business activities undertaken by East Waste on behalf of its Member Councils. Table 1 provides a summary of the operating and capital income and expenditure elements forecasted for waste collection activities for 2023/24. Unsurprisingly the most significant expenditure relates to the logistical requirements of serving the kerbside collections across eight Councils and over 25% of Adelaide's residential population. Fleet replacement, which occurs on a cyclical annual basis, is currently funded via external loan borrowings.

As can be seen from Tables 2 and 3, one of the significant benefits of being an East Waste member is that on top of the highly competitive prices received as a result of aggregated buying power, no administrative, handling or on-costs are charged in relation to resource processing contracts held by East Waste or bin maintenance services. All are charged at-cost.

Labour and fuel costs are the two largest operational costs relating to waste collection and processing activities undertaken by East Waste which have been subject to volatile movements in the past 18 months given the impact of domestic and global economic impacts. This has made budgeting exceedingly challenging when developing the 2023/24 budget and while all available information and indicators have been considered for inclusion in these figures, the potential for significant cost movement (in particular within fuel and finance costs) remains a high risk to East Waste achieving its desired financial targets.

A series of higher-than-expected CPI increases, including the annual December 2022 rate increasing for Adelaide of 8.6%, has necessitated the need to apply a higher-than-historical increase to several cost centres which have contracts tied to CPI increases. In order to keep Member Council cost increases to lower than CPI rates, East Waste have offset where possible with minimal and/or no increase across a number of other cost centres.

The budget to deliver this Annual Plan, along with all East Waste's Services and legislative requirements is detailed in the following proposed 2023/24 Financial Papers (refer Attachment 1-5).

Table 1: 2023/24 Budget Summary - Waste Collection Services

	Income \$	Expenditure \$	Net Surplus /Deficit \$
Recurrent- Waste Collection	16,712,597	16,383,473	329,124
Recurrent - Corporate Administration	326,347	-	326,347
Service Initiatives	50,000	540,000	(490,000)
Capital Program	-	2,155,000	(2,155,000)
Total	17,088,944	19,078,473	(1,989,529)

Table 2: 2023/24 Budget Summary - Bin Maintenance Services

	Income \$	Expenditure \$	Net Surplus /Deficit \$
Recurrent	1,310,575	1,310,575	-
Service Initiatives	-	-	-
Capital Program	-	-	-
Total	1,310,575	1,310,575	-

Table 3: 2023/24 Budget Summary - Waste Processing Services

	Income \$	Expenditure \$	Net Surplus /Deficit \$
Recurrent	5,757,171	5,757,171	-
Service Initiatives	-	-	-
Capital Program	-	-	-
Total	5,757,171	5,757,171	-

Financial Statements

EAST WASTE Projected Statement of Comprehensive Income (Budgeted)

for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2024

FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2024
Audited Actuals		Adopted Budget	BR2	Proposed Budget
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	Income			
16,579	User Charges	21,955	21,581	22,747
10	Investment income	13	23	20
81	Grants, subsidies and contributions	75	75	50
932	Other	1,069	1,019	1,322
17,602	Total	23,112	22,698	24,139
	Expenses			
6,386	Employee Costs	7,164	7,174	7,675
9,303	Materials, contracts & other expenses	13,241	12,482	13,275
2,043	Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	2,346	2,346	2,657
246	Finance costs	406	371	384
17,978	Total	23,157	22,373	23,991
(376)	Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(45)	325	148
7	Asset disposals & fair value adjustments	200	100	18
(369)	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	155	425	166
-	Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-
(369)	Total Comprehensive Income	155	425	166

FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2024
Audited Actuals		Adopted Budget	BR2	Proposed Budget
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	Assets			
	Current			
2,001	Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,056	2,355	2,88
935	Trade & Other Receivables	661	935	93
50	Inventory	-	50	5
2,986	Total	2,717	3,340	3,87
	Non-Current			
8,542	Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	11,022	11,024	10,49
8,542	Total	11,022	11,024	10,49
11,528	Total Assets	13,739	14,364	14,36
	Liabilities			
	Current			
1,436	Trade & Other Payables	1,145	1,361	1,31
1,940	Borrowings	2,355	2,355	2,20
778	Provisions	787	838	89
4,154	Total	4,287	4,554	4,40
	Non-Current			
6,410	Borrowings	8,351	8,361	8,28
114	Provisions	137	174	22
6,524	Total	8,488	8,535	8,51
10,678	Total Liabilities	12,775	13,089	12,92
850	Net Assets	964	1,275	1,44
	Equity			
850	Accumulated Surplus	964	1,275	1,44
850	Total Equity	964	1,275	1,44

EAST WASTE

Projected Balance Sheet (Budgeted)

EAST WASTE	
Projected Statement of Cashflows	(Bud

for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2024

FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2024
Audited Actuals		Adopted Budget	BR2	Proposed Budget
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
	Receipts			
17,400	Operating Receipts	23,024	22,600	24,069
9	Investment Receipts	13	23	20
	Payments			
(6,245)	Employee costs	(7,071)	(7,054)	(7,565
(9,613)	Materials, contracts & other expenses	(13,241)	(12,482)	(13,275
(258)	Interest Payments	(406)	(371)	(384
1,293	Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	2,319	2,716	2,86
	Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
	Receipts			
86	Sale of Replaced Assets	200	100	50
	Payments			
(2,305)	Expenditure on Renewal/Replaced Assets	(2,223)	(2,231)	(2,115
(244)	Expenditure of New/Upgraded Assets	(2,597)	(2,597)	(40
(2,463)	Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(4,620)	(4,728)	(2,105
	Cash Flow from Financing Activities			
	Receipts			
2,031	Proceeds from Borrowings	4,525	4,525	2,000
	Payments			
(237)	Repayment of Lease Liabilities	(263)	(263)	(285
(1,791)	Repayment of Borrowings	(1,896)	(1,896)	(1,944
3	Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities	2,366	2,366	(229
(1,167)	Net Increase (Decrease) in cash held	65	354	53
2 1 4 9	Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,991	2,001	2,355
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,	ear Ending 30 June 2024			
FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2024
Audited Actuals		Adopted Budget	BR2	Proposed Budget
\$		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1,219	Balance at Start of Periof - 1 July	809	850	1,275
(369)	Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year	155	425	166
-	Contributed Equity	-	-	-
-	Distribution to Councils	-	-	-
850	Balance at End of Period - 30 June	964	1,275	1,441

	resentation of Finances (Budgeted) r Ending 30 June 2024			
FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2024
Audited Actuals		Adopted Budget	BR2	Proposed Budge
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
17,602	Income	23,112	22,698	24,13
(17,978)	Expenses	(23,157)	(22,373)	(23,99
(376)	Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(45)	325	14
	Net Outlays on Existing Assets			
(2,305)	Capital Expenditure on Renewal and Replacement of Existing Assets	(2,223)	(2,231)	(2,11
2,043	Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	2,346	2,346	2,6
86	Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	200	100	Ę
(176)		323	215	5'
	Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets			
(244)	Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets	(2,597)	(2,597)	(4
-	Amounts Specifically for New and Upgraded Assets	-	-	-
-	Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets	-	-	-
(244)		(2,597)	(2,597)	(4
(796)	Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year	(2,319)	(2,057)	7

ITEM 9.1 - ATTACHMENT B



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25 May 2023

Mr Rob Gregory General Manager East Waste 1 Temple Court Ottoway SA 5013 *E: east@eastwaste.com*

Dear Mr Gregory

East Waste Draft 2023/24 Business Plan & Budget

I am pleased to advise that the following resolution was unanimously passed at the Council meeting held on 23 May 2023:

12.2 East Waste Annual Business Plan & Budget

Moved Cr Malcolm Herrmann S/- Cr Chris Grant

128/23

Council resolves:

- 1. That the report be received and noted.
- 2. To provide consent to the Eastern Waste Management Authority Draft Annual Plan 2023-24.

Carried Unanimously

The Council Members appreciated you taking the time to come along to the 23 May Council meeting and for your comprehensive presentation.

Yours sincerely

David Waters Chief Executive Officer

From:Helen BortoluzziTo:Rob GregorySubject:Regional Subsidiaries Annual Business Plans and Budgets for 2023/24

Dear Rob

At its meeting on Wednesday, 26 April 2023 Council was presented with a report on its Regional Subsidiaries Annual Business Plans and Budgets for 2023/24

Council resolved (C260423/13423) - in part

Approves the Eastern Waste Management Authority draft Budget 2023/24, noting the Budgeted result is a Net Surplus of \$166k.

Should you require further information please contact Karishma Reynolds, Director Corporte at <u>kreynolds@burnside.sa.gov.au</u>

Regards



Helen Bortoluzzi | Executive Support Officer City of Burnside | 401 Greenhill Road Tusmore SA 5065



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Enq: Simon Zbierski Ph: 8366 9289

14 April 2023

Mr Rob Gregory General Manager East Waste PO Box 26 MANSFIELD PARK SA 5012

Dear Mr Gregory

Draft 2023/2024 Annual Plan and Budget

I wish to advise that at its meeting held on Tuesday 4 April 2023 Council endorsed East Waste's Draft Annual Plan and Budget for the Year ending 30 June 2024.

If you have any queries please contact Council's Manager Finance, Mr Simon Zbierski on 8366 9289.

Yours sincerely

Tracie Dawber General Manager Corporate Services





18 May 2023

Rob Gregory General Manager East Waste PO Box 26 MANSFIELD PARK SA 5012 Email: <u>RobG@eastwaste.com</u>



Dear Mr Gregory

Re: East Waste 2023/2024 Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget

Following receipt of your letter dated 14 March 2023, Council has endorsed the following recommendations in relation to the East Waste 2023/2024 Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget at its <u>Full Council meeting</u> on 9 May 2023:

- 1. That Council consents to the East Waste Draft 2023/2024 Annual Plan (Attachment B) and acknowledges the East Waste Draft 2023/2024 Budget (Confidential Attachment A) within.
- 2. That Council provides East Waste with feedback about Council supporting the delivery of existing waste management and education services within CPI.

The report and attachments were discussed in confidence in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999.

Further to the Council's endorsement, I would like to recognise the work carried out by East Waste to set a budget within CPI. There are a multitude of cost pressures across business, industry and the community so it is positive to see a Draft Annual Plan that will maintain the service standards of our kerbside waste services and allow continued progress with East Waste's education and behaviour change programs. The Sustainability team look forward to working with East Waste in 2023/24.

I can be contacted on 0419 649 926 or at <u>gchambers@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au</u> if you would like further information about Council's decision.

Yours sincerely

Gemma Chambers WASTE MANAGEMENT OFFICER

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11 May 2023

Mr Rob Gregory General Manager Eastern Waste Management Authority 1 Temple Court OTTOWAY SA 5013

Via email: RobG@eastwaste.com

Dear Rob

EAST WASTE DRAFT 2023-2024 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN

I am pleased to advise that at its meeting held on 1 May 2023, the Council considered the East Waste Draft 2023-2024 Annual Business Plan.

Pursuant to Clause 52 of the Charter, the Council has considered and hereby approves the Authority's Draft 2023-2024 Annual Business Plan.

I have attached a copy of the report which was considered by the Council in respect to this matter for your records.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this matter, please contact me on 8366 4549 or via email: lmara@npsp.sa.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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From:	Sam Dilena
То:	Rob Gregory
Cc:	Megan Gillett
Subject:	East Waste draft 2023/24 Annual Plan & Budget

Hi Rob,

The Council considered the East Waste draft 2023/24 AP & Budget at its ordinary Meeting in April last night & resolved as follows;

10.2 EAST WASTE DRAFT 2023/24 ANNUAL PLAN AND BUDGET

RESOLUTION 2023/55

Moved: Cr Thuy Nguyen Seconded: Cr Lillian Hollitt

That Council:

- 1. Having considered Item 10.2 East Waste Draft 2023/24 Annual Plan and Budget receives and notes the report.
- 2. Having considered Item 10.2 East Waste Draft 2023/24 Annual Plan and Budget, endorses the East Waste Draft 2023/24 Annual Plan and Budget (as presented in Attachment 1).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Kind regards,

Sam Dilena Director City Works & Presentation

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29 May 2023

Mr Rob Gregory General Manager Eastern Waste Management Authority Via email <u>RobG@eastwaste.com</u>

Dear Rob

Draft 2023-24 East Waste Annual Business Plan and Budget

I write to advise that at its meeting held on 22 May 2023, Council considered a report outlining the Draft 2023-24 East Waste Annual Business Plan and Budget.

Following consideration of the matter, Council resolved the following:

- 1. The report be received.
- 2. The Eastern Waste Management Authority be advised that pursuant to Clause 52 of its Charter, the City of Unley has considered and approves its Draft 2023-24 Annual Business Plan, as set out in Attachment 1 of this report (Item 4.8, Council Meeting 22/05/2023).

Resolution No. C1031/23

We look forward to working closely with East Waste to ensure the delivery of the proposed Annual Business Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Council's General Manager, City Development, Claude Malak <u>cmalak@unley.sa.gov.au</u>

Yours sincerely

Peter Tsokas Chief Executive Officer

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24 May 2023

Mr Rob Gregory General Manager East Waste PO Box 26 MANSFIELD PARK SA 5012

Via Email: robg@eastwaste.com

Dear Mr Gregory,

RE: East Waste Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2023-24

I write to advise that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday 15 May 2023, Council resolved (**CNC296/22-23**) to endorse the East Waste Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2023-24. For your convenience, the resolution is replicated herein:

CNC296/22-23

- 1. That Council receive and endorse the East Waste Draft Annual Plan & Budget 2023-24, appearing as Attachment B to this report.
- 2. That Administration write to East Waste advising of Council's decision.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 8342 7100 or alternatively office@walkerville.sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

for

Scott Reardon Acting Chief Executive Officer



Board Meeting 22 June 2023 Item 9.2

9.2: LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN – PRINCIPLES & ASSUMPTIONS

REPORT AUTHOR:	Coordinator Finance & Strategic Projects
ATTACHMENTS:	A: Long Term Financial Plan

Purpose of the Report

To provide an opportunity for the East Waste Board to review and provide input into the DRAFT principles and assumptions of East Waste's FY2024-2033 Long Term Financial Plan.

Background

Under Section 122(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, East Waste is required to develop and adopt a Long Term Financial Plan for a period of at least 10 years, which forms part of its suite of Strategic Management Plans. The Long Term Financial Plan (the Plan) was last reviewed and endorsed in 2020, and going forward will be reviewed annually via the Audit & Risk Management Committee and Board, following the adoption of the draft Annual Plan.

Report

Prior to presenting a final draft of the Plan to the Audit and Risk Management Committee (the Committee) and Board, careful consideration needs to be given to the key principles and assumptions that will be used to formulate the Plan. An initial draft Long Term Financial Plan is attached (refer attachment A) for Board's review and input and further detail will be provided at the meeting. The key principles and assumptions are as follows:

Principles

- Consistency with East Waste's:
 - o Strategic Plan 2030
 - o Current Annual Plan; and
 - Charter.
- Alignment to East Waste's:
 - Existing Treasury Management Policy; and
 - Cash-flow requirements.
- Use of predicted CPI

Assumptions

- Annual CPI Increase of 3% assumed across the life of the Plan.
- Assumes no change to Common Fleet Costing allocation to Member Councils throughout the life of the Plan.
- Assumes no change in current service delivery model and/or service standards, and no additional Member Councils throughout the life of the Plan.
- Assumes a new 10-year lease at the Ottoway Depot will be renewed in FY2025 on the same terms as the current lease agreement held with the landlord.



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Operating Income

- 1. Business as usual approach no change to Membership or service offerings, and 1% operating surplus retained as per Budget Framework Policy. While the on-boarding of additional services and changes to the current collection model will undoubtedly occur within the period of the Plan, the timing and extent is too uncertain at this point to predict with any confidence.
- 2. Interest Income calculated based on 3% return on estimated annual net cash holdings.
- 3. Profit on disposal of assets assumes \$10,000 sale per truck sold each year based on Fleet replacement schedule.
- 4. Fuel based on annual usage levels and price increases aligned with recent historic data and RAA modelling.

Operating Expenses

- 5. Bin supply & waste collection income Based on historical experiences, allowing for addition of Unley, and estimated future activity, an annual increase of 5% across the life of the Plan will occur which incorporates the estimated increased in cost and volume of activity undertaken.
- 6. Assumed interest rates applicable to all new loans across the following financial years:

FY24 – FY25: 6.5% FY26 – FY27: 6.0% FY28 – FY33: 5.5%

- 7. Assume that a new lease agreement is entered into in FY25 for a period of 10 years based on the same terms as the current lease held with the landlord.
- 8. Fuel expenses have been estimated based on a \$/L charge. It assumes no change in total volume of fuel used over the life of the Plan consistent with forecasted level/number of services.
- 9. Assumes no additional employees or change to staffing structure across the life of the Plan. Higher increases across first three years to account for offsetting the minimal increase applied to previous two Enterprise Agreement reviews. Remaining years increased annually by 3.5%.
- 10. Fleet maintenance costs developed from FY2024 Budget assumptions. Allowance for a higher increase in first two years, due to holding onto trucks for extended periods and to account for onboarding of the Unley fleet. Increases in following years assumed at 3.5% annually.

Fleet Replacement

- Estimates developed from Administration and inflated annually based on an indexed rate.
- All trucks have an assumed useful life of 8 years with a residual value of \$10,000 applied to each truck.



<u>Capital</u>

- Assume that annual expenditure of \$100,000 required on additional other unidentified CAPEX relating to leasehold improvements, motor vehicles and other minor assets will be required.
- All other CAPEX has an assumed useful life of 10-years for depreciation purposes.

Borrowings

- Assume that borrowings are required each year to fund 100% replacement cost of Fleet assets replaced.
- Varied Interest rates applied to borrowings across the life of the Plan.
- Assume all borrowings are 8-year, fixed interest borrowings taken out with the LGFA.
- All borrowings commence from October of each financial year and are on 6-monthly P+I repayment schedules.
- All borrowings commence as from October of each financial year and are on 6-monthly P+I repayment schedules.

The Plan principles and assumptions were reviewed extensively at the at the Audit & Risk Management Committee meeting held 13 June 2023 and several adjustments made. The Committee subsequently resolved:

9.2 LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

Moved Ms Di Blasio that the Committee notes the draft principles and assumptions presented within the draft Long Term Financial Plan and recommends to the Board for endorsement. Seconded Mr Bell Carried

Following the adoption of the Plan by the East Waste Board, Administration will review the Treasury Management Policy and Budget Framework Policy and present back to the Board for consideration (refer Report 9.8 for further information).

RECOMMENDATION

The Board endorses the 2024-2033 Long Term Financial Plan as a key strategic planning document and for distribution to Member Councils.

ITEM 9.2 - ATTACHMENT A



Long Term Financial Plan



FY2024 - FY2033

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Introduction

Under Section 122(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, Councils are required to develop and adopt a Long Term Financial Plan for a period of at least 10 years, which forms part of its suite of Strategic Management Plans. As a Council Subsidiary East Waste is governed by the same legislation, and the development of a Long Term Financial Plan (the Plan) not only satisfies that requirement but assists Administration in determining financial projections for the proceeding decade.

The Plan has been developed based on a series of assumptions and information provided by East Waste Administration, as well as information contained within the draft FY2024 Budget, and for full context should also be read in conjunction with East Waste's *Strategic Plan 2030*. The Plan is also closely aligned with East Waste's Charter, Annual Plans, Policies and cash-flow requirements.

East Waste's adopted accounting policies have been consistently applied to all assumptions and projections. The Plan assumes no changes to Common Fleet Costing allocation to Member Councils throughout the life of the Plan. While the on-boarding of additional services and changes to the current collection model and truck types will undoubtedly occur within the period of the Plan, the timing and extent is too uncertain at this point to predict with any confidence.

The Plan is not designed to provide any investment advice for any capital projects or services that are designed to deliver a financial return to East Waste.

General Manager's Statement

East Waste operates almost entirely on a full user pays and cost recovery service, ensuring the ongoing financial sustainability of the Organisation. The challenge for East Waste is undertaking this in the most efficient and effective manner, while at the same time advancing the Organisation and operations through the implementation of innovative approaches and technology and ultimately providing Member Councils with high levels of confidence and satisfaction.

As a logistics business with a fleet of over 50 collection vehicles, truck purchases, running costs and labour costs dominate our annual budgets and Long Term Financial Plan considerations. Trucks are currently retained for a period of eight years (increased from seven years, in 2018), however each truck is heavily monitored and scrutinised on an annual basis to determine the best logistical and financial outcome for the Organisation.

A key change associated with the replacement of all Robotic Arm Collection Vehicles (RACV) across the life of this plan is that all replacement vehicles will have 29m3 fitted. With several changes to collection frequency likely across the life of this Plan, the larger bodies provide the greatest fleet flexibility.

Over the short, medium and long term life of this Plan, East Waste maintains a strong financial and sustainable position. The East Waste Charter has clear and defined mechanisms when returns to Member Councils will occur which ensures our financial sustainability is overlaid with fiscal responsibility to our Owners. A separate piece of work will be undertaken prior to the next review of the Plan to formalise required Operating Capital and the triggers for returns. Any variation to, or additional services will only be undertaken on a full cost recovery basis, which ensures financial sustainability is able to be maintained through any adaptation of service.

The East Waste Long Term Financial Plan as demonstrated on the following pages highlights strong financial sustainability with a target of achieving a modest Operating Surplus each year, consistent with Member Council expectations.

Risk/Review

This Plan has been developed based on the most up to date information and assumptions available at the time. Users of this information should be aware that there are inherent risks associated with the outcomes reported, as circumstances (ie. change in legislative requirements) may bring about changes that could materially affect the outcome and projected results of the Plan.

To ensure that the Plan is timely and relevant to East Waste's forecasts, it will be reviewed at least once per year in accordance with Section 122(4)(a)(i) of the Local Government Act 1999. East Waste will review its Long-Term Financial Plan via the Audit & Risk Management Committee and Board following the development of the draft Annual Plan and Budget to allow for the most relevant financial parameters to be considered.

About East Waste

East Waste is the trading name of Eastern Waste Management Authority, which was established in 1928. The Authority is a regional subsidiary of the Adelaide Hills Council, City of Burnside, Campbelltown City Council, City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, City of Mitcham, City of Prospect, City of Unley, and Town of Walkerville.

East Waste is governed by a Charter (<u>the Charter</u>) pursuant to *Section 43* of the *Local Government Act 1999* and administered by a Board, which includes a director appointed by each Council and an Independent Chair. Through the admission of the City of Unley as a Member Council, East Waste undertook the required periodic review of the Charter which has now been endorsed by all Member Councils and is live.

As a regional subsidiary, East Waste recognises that success from this Plan is not possible without the continued support, integration and active working partnership of all our Member Councils and key Strategic Partners. East Waste is committed to developing and continuing partnerships which ultimately drive value back to the communities we serve. The value East Waste offers is unique, in that we are continually working with our Member Councils to drive down costs. East Waste have established a model where we are nimble and respond swiftly to external impacts and Member Council requests, in a far timelier manner than industry counterparts. East Waste takes much of the worry and pressures associated with waste away from the Member Councils, allowing them to focus on other key matters of importance to them and their communities.

Key Assumptions

- Annual CPI Increase of 3.0% assumed across the life of the Plan.
- Assumes no change to Common Fleet Costing allocation to Member Councils throughout the life of the Plan.
- Assumes no change in current service delivery model and/or service standards, and no additional Member Councils throughout the life of the Plan.
- Assumes a new 10-year lease at the Ottoway Depot will be renewed in FY2025 on the same terms as the current lease agreement held with the landlord.

Operating Income

Section	Key Assumptions
Member Council Common Fleet Costing Charges	 Based on methodology outlined within adopted Budget Framework Policy. A 1% Common Fleet Costing Surplus charge has been applied each year in line with the objectives of the Budget Framework Policy.
Administration Fee	 Based on FY24 budgeted charge with 3.0% annual increase applied to each year thereafter.
Bin Supply and Bin Service Income	 Full fee recovery activity based on estimated expenses (refer below for key assumptions)
Waste Processing Income	 Full fee recovery activity based on estimated annual expenses (refer below for key assumptions).
Interest Income	 Income calculated based on 3.0% return on estimated annual net cash holdings.
Profit on Disposal of Assets	 Assumes \$10,000 sale per truck sold each year based on Fleet replacement Plan.

Operating Expenses

Section	Key Assumptions
Bin Supply and Bin Service Expenses	 Based on historical experience and estimated future activity, an annual increase of 5% across the life of the Plan will occur which incorporates the estimated increased in cost and volume of activity undertaken.
Waste Processing Fees	 Based on historical experience and estimated future activity, an annual increase of 5% across the life of the LTFP will occur which incorporates the estimated increased in cost and volume of activity undertaken.
Interest on Borrowings	 Assumed interest rates applicable to all new loans across the following financial years: FY24 – FY25: 6.5% FY26 – FY27: 6.0% FY28 – FY33: 5.5%
Ottoway Lease	 Assume that a new lease agreement is entered into in FY2025 for a period of 10 years based on the same terms as the current lease held with the landlord.

Fuel	 Fuel expenses have been estimated based on a varying \$/L charge across the life of the Plan. It assumes no change in total volume of fuel used over the life of the Plan consistent with forecasted level/number of services.
Wages & Salaries	 Administration estimates cost increases ranging from 5% to 3.5% across life of the Plan. 5% applied for years 1-2, to offset lower than CPI increases applied for East Waste's EBA staff in recent years. Increase reduced to 4% in year 3, and 3.5% applied to remaining years. Assumes no change in the number of staff over the life of the Plan.
Fleet Maintenance	 Fleet Maintenance costs are based on Administration estimates on annual spend required to maintain Fleet assets. Based on FY2024 budget assumptions.
All other General Expenses	 Assume an annual 3.0% - 5% increase in costs as estimated by East Waste.

Fleet Replacement

- Fleet Replacement has been based on estimates developed from Administration and inflated annually based on an indexed rate.
- All trucks have an assumed useful life of 8 years with a residual value of \$10,000 applied to each truck.
- All trucks are individually assessed annually towards the end of life to ensure ultimate optimisation of the asset.

Capital Expenditure

- Assume that annual expenditure of \$100,000 required on additional other unidentified CAPEX relating to leasehold improvements, motor vehicles and other minor assets will be required.
- All other CAPEX has an assumed useful life of 10-years for depreciation purposes.

Borrowings

- Assume that borrowings are required each year to fund 100% replacement cost of Fleet assets replaced.
- Interest rates applied to borrowings based on the following:

FY24-25: 6.5%

FY26-27: 6%

FY28-33: 5.5%

- Assume all borrowings are 8-year, fixed interest borrowings taken out with the LGFA.
- All borrowings commence as from October of each financial year and are on 6-monthly P+I repayment schedules.
- All borrowings commence as from October of each financial year and are on 6-monthly P+I repayment schedules.

East Waste Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP): FY2024 - FY2033 Projected Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Financial Year											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033		
Income												
User Charges	22,747	24,248	25,614	26,677	27,882	28,899	30,014	31,238	32,288	33,674		
Investment income	20	87	104	123	138	149	159	166	174	181		
Grants, subsidies & contributions	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other	1,322	1,378	1,447	1,519	1,595	1,675	1,758	1,846	1,938	2,035		
Total	24,139	25,713	27,165	28,319	29,615	30,723	31,931	33,250	34,400	35,890		
Expenses												
Employee Costs	7,675	8,092	8,527	8,875	9,195	9,527	9,871	10,228	10,598	10,981		
Materials, contracts & other expenses	13,275	14,100	14,965	15,630	16,325	17,051	17,810	18,603	19,432	20,299		
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	2,657	2,712	2,804	2,886	3,125	3,157	3,239	3,407	3,333	3,536		
Finance costs	384	682	734	787	820	841	848	850	870	898		
Total	23,991	25,586	27,030	28,178	29,465	30,576	31,768	33,088	34,233	35,714		
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	148	127	135	141	150	147	163	162	167	176		
Asset disposals & fair value adjustments	18	50	50	50	50	60	50	60	60	60		
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	166	177	185	191	200	207	213	222	227	236		
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total Comprehensive Income	166	177	185	191	200	207	213	222	227	236		

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Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP): FY2024 - FY2033 Projected Statement of Financial Position

Frojected Statement of Financial					Financial	Year				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Assets										
Current										
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,886	3,452	4,102	4,605	4,951	5,311	5,527	5,789	6,040	6,224
Trade & Other Receivables	935	935	935	935	935	935	935	935	935	935
Inventory	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Total	3,871	4,437	5,087	5,590	5,936	6,296	6,512	6,774	7,025	7,209
Non-Current										
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	10,490	12,352	12,229	12,105	11,862	12,029	11,891	12,309	12,943	13,521
Total	10,490	12,352	12,229	12,105	11,862	12,029	11,891	12,309	12,943	13,521
Total Assets	14,361	16,789	17,316	17,695	17,798	18,325	18,403	19,083	19,968	20,730
Liabilities										
Current										
Trade & Other Payables	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,311
Borrowings	2,200	2,051	2,251	2,631	2,606	2,760	2,885	2,779	3,003	3,003
Provisions	893	893	893	893	893	893	893	893	893	893
Total	4,404	4,255	4,455	4,835	4,810	4,964	5,089	4,983	5,207	5,207
Non-Current										
Borrowings	8,287	10,687	10,829	10,637	10,565	10,731	10,471	11,035	11,469	11,995
Provisions	229	229	229	229	229	229	229	229	229	229
Total	8,516	10,916	11,058	10,866	10,794	10,960	10,700	11,264	11,698	12,224
Total Liabilities	12,920	15,171	15,513	15,701	15,604	15,924	15,789	16,247	16,905	17,431
Net Assets	1,441	1,618	1,803	1,994	2,194	2,401	2,614	2,836	3,063	3,299
Equity										
Accumulated Surplus	1,441	1,618	1,803	1,994	2,194	2,401	2,614	2,836	3,063	3,299
Total	1,441	1,618	1,803	1,994	2,194	2,401	2,614	2,836	3,063	3,299
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East Waste Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP): FY2024 - FY2033 Projected Statement of Changes in Equity

	Financial Year										
	1 2024	2 2025	з 2026	4 2027	5 2028	6 2029	7 2030	8 2031	9 2032	10 2033	
Balance at Start of Period	1,275	1,441	1,618	1,803	1,994	2,194	2,401	2,614	2,836	3,063	
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year	166	177	185	191	200	207	213	222	227	236	
Contributed Equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Distribution to Councils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Balance at End of Period	1,441	1,618	1,803	1,994	2,194	2,401	2,614	2,836	3,063	3,299	

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Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP): FY2024 - FY2033

Projected Statement of Cash Flows

Projected Statement of Cash Flows					Financial	Year				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Cash Flows from Operating Activities										
Receipts										
Operating Receipts	24,069	25,626	27,061	28,196	29,477	30,574	31,772	33,084	34,226	35,709
Investment Receipts	20	87	104	123	138	149	159	166	174	181
Payments										
Operating Payments	(20,840)	(22,192)	(23,492)	(24,505)	(25,520)	(26,578)	(27,681)	(28,831)	(30,030)	(31,280)
Interest Payments	(384)	(682)	(734)	(787)	(820)	(841)	(848)	(850)	(870)	(898)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	2,865	2,839	2,939	3,027	3,275	3,304	3,402	3,569	3,500	3,712
Cash Flows from Investing Activities										
Receipts										
Sale of Replaced Assets	50	50	50	50	50	60	50	60	60	60
Payments										
Expenditure on Renewal/Replaced Assets	(2,115)	(2,066)	(2,564)	(2,636)	(2,746)	(3,177)	(2,942)	(3,654)	(3,782)	(3,914)
Expenditure of New/Upgraded Assets	(40)	(108)	(117)	(126)	(136)	(147)	(159)	(171)	(185)	(200)
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(2,105)	(2,124)	(2,631)	(2,712)	(2,832)	(3,264)	(3,051)	(3,765)	(3,907)	(4,054)
Cash Flow from Financing Activities										
Receipts										
Proceeds from Borrowings	2,000	2,050	2,560	2,630	2,750	3,170	2,900	3,650	3,780	3,910
Payments										
Repayment of Borrowings	(1,944)	(2,051)	(2,051)	(2,251)	(2,631)	(2,606)	(2,760)	(2,885)	(2,779)	(3,003)
Repayment of Lease Liability	(285)	(148)	(167)	(191)	(216)	(244)	(275)	(307)	(343)	(381)
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities	(229)	(149)	342	188	(97)	320	(135)	458	658	526
Net Increase (Decrease) in cash held	531	566	650	503	346	360	216	262	251	184
Cash & Cash Equivalents at beginning of period	2,355	2,886	3,452	4,102	4,605	4,951	5,311	5,527	5,789	6,040
Cash & Cash Equivalents at end of period	2,886	3,452	4,102	4,605	4,951	5,311	5,527	5,789	6,040	6,224

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Projected Uniform Presentation of Finances

					Financial `	Year				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Income	24,139	25,713	27,165	28,319	29,615	30,723	31,931	33,250	34,400	35,890
Expenses	(23,991)	(25,586)	(27,030)	(28,178)	(29,465)	(30,576)	(31,768)	(33,088)	(34,233)	(35,714)
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	148	127	135	141	150	147	163	162	167	176
Net Outlays on Existing Assets										
Capital Expenditure on Renewal and Replacement of Existing Assets	(2,115)	(2,066)	(2,564)	(2,636)	(2,746)	(3,177)	(2,942)	(3,654)	(3,782)	(3,914)
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	2,657	2,712	2,804	2,886	3,125	3,157	3,239	3,407	3,333	3,536
Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	50	50	50	50	50	60	50	60	60	60
	592	696	290	300	429	40	347	(187)	(389)	(318)
Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets										
Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets	(40)	(108)	(117)	(126)	(136)	(147)	(159)	(171)	(185)	(200)
Amounts Specifically for New and Upgraded Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities	(40)	(108)	(117)	(126)	(136)	(147)	(159)	(171)	(185)	(200)
Net Lending / (Borrowing) for the Financial Year	700	715	308	315	443	40	351	(196)	(407)	(342)

Projected Financial Indicators										
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
1. Operating Surplus Ratio	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
2. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio	38%	42%	39%	36%	33%	32%	29%	29%	29%	29%
3. Asset Renewal Funding Ratio	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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9.3: STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

REPORT AUTHOR: Manager Business Services ATTACHMENTS: A: Project Timeline

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board with an update on the Strategic Risk Management review.

Background

In 2015, East Waste established a Risk Management system (the System) which incorporates a Risk Management Policy, Framework and Registers.

The System has provided East Waste with a solid foundation to help manage potential risks and has undergone several reviews since being first established including, a significant update in 2019 which ensured that it aligned with the ISO 31000 Standards.

However, when the system was reviewed in late 2022 several opportunities were identified to enhance the system including but not limited to:

- Using a consistent WHS & Risk Matrix.
- Increasing Staff engagement/awareness.
- Improved alignment of our Risks into the Operational & Strategic Risk Register; and
- Incorporating the system in our electronic WHS & Risk Management System (Skytrust). •

Therefore, at the November 2022 Board meeting a recommendation was made and ultimately endorsed by the Board that we engage the Local Government Risk Services (LGRS) to assist with a review of our Risk Management Systems.

8.4 **RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REVIEW**

Moved Mr Tsokas that the Board notes and acknowledges the proposed scope of works timeframe associated with reviewing the Risk Management Policy, Framework and Register, with a progress update be provided at the 23 February 2023 Board Meeting. Seconded Mayor Holmes-Ross

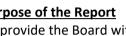
Report

In February 2023 Administration met with the LGRS to discuss our current Risk Management System and the possibility of engaging them to assist with the review of our Risk Management System and all applicable documents.

Following the above-mentioned meeting, a scope of works document was provided to Administration for consideration which has since been endorsed by the General Manager.

Over the last couple of months, the LGRS have been working with East Waste Administration to review our existing Risk Management System in addition to preparing a custom training program designed specifically for the East Waste Management team.

Carried



During June and July 2023 Risk Management training will be rolled out to the East Waste Management Team which incorporates Managers, Coordinators and Team Leaders. The training will be facilitated by the LGRS and supported by the Risk Management Team.

Following the training in July the LGRS will assist East Waste administration by facilitating a series of workshop(s) which are designed to increase awareness of operational and strategic risks in addition to capturing/collating key content which will be used to update/renew the Risk Management framework including the Strategic and Operational Risk registers.

At the Audit & Risk Management Committee (the Committee) Meeting held on the 13 June 2023, the Committee considered a report regarding a Strategic Risk Management update. The resolution of the Committee was:

9.3 STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Moved Ms Green that the Committee notes the report. Seconded Mr Bell

Carried

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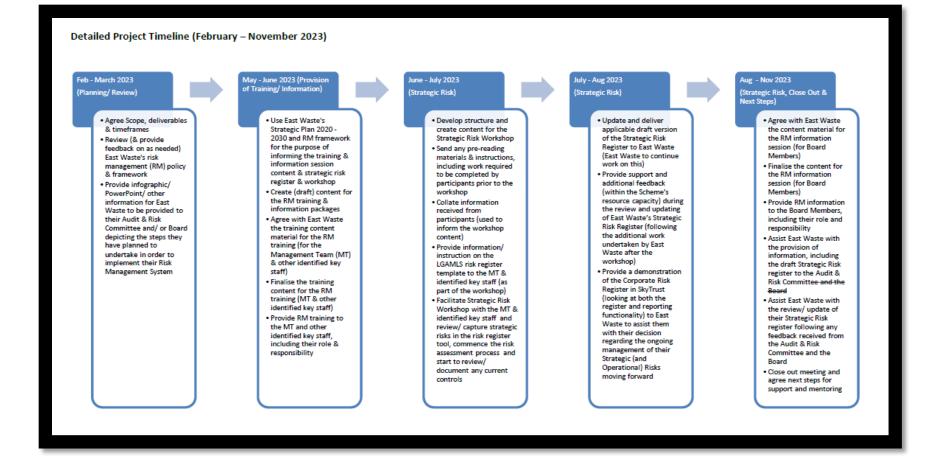
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Later this year a workshop has been planned with both the Audit & Risk Management Committee and the Board to help establish East Waste's current risk appetite and to assist with the development of our strategic risk register. Additional information regarding this is available in *Agenda item 9.8 (Joint Audit & Risk Management Committee Planning Sessions).*

For the Boards reference a project timeline has been included with this report (refer attachment A) which provides further detail about the key milestones and works being undertaken.

Recommendation

That the Board notes and receives the report.



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9.4: COMPLAINT HANDLING POLICY

REPORT AUTHOR:	Manager Business Services
ATTACHMENTS:	A: Complaint Handling Policy

Purpose of the Report

To seek the Board's endorsement of the revised East Waste Complaint Handling Policy (the Policy).

Background

In November 2019, the Local Government Association Worker's Compensation Scheme (LGAWCS) completed an audit of East Waste's Risk Management systems and processes. The Audit resulted in a Risk Action Plan being adopted which included an action item, to develop and implement a Complaint Handling Policy. As such, a Complaint Handling Policy was developed and subsequently adopted by the Board.

When the original Complaint Handling Policy was endorsed by the Board, East Waste Administration were directed by the Board to draft a complementary *Persistent Complainant Policy*. Subsequently in November 2020 a draft *Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy* was presented and endorsed by the Board.

In accordance with East Waste's Policy Review Schedule both the *Complaint Handling Policy* and the *Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy* were due for review in November 2022. Administration reviewed both Policies and following feedback from the Audit & Risk Management Committee a new Policy, which combined the two (2) Policies together was also drafted.

The three (3) above-mentioned policies were presented to the Board for consideration at the meeting held on the 3 November 2022 and the Board directed East Waste Administration to review and amend the policies in light of the Board's discussion (including providing a better definition of what constitutes a complaint).

8.5 COMPLAINT HANDLING POLICIES REVIEW

Moved Cr Turnbull that the Board directs Administration to review and amend the Complaint Handling policies in light of the Board discussions (including better definition of what constitutes a complaint) and present at the February 2023 Board meeting. Seconded Mr Dilena Carried

The discussion at the above-mentioned Board Meeting was that the Policies had too much focus on Unreasonable Complainants and the Board sought less focus on this area and a revised definition of what constitutes a Complaint.

<u>Report</u>

Following consideration of the Board's direction, Administration have developed a new *Complaint Handling Pol*icy (refer Attachment A) which incorporates, but reduces the focus on unreasonable complainant conduct and has a strengthened focus on the customer's experience. The revised Policy also includes:



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- Additional information about requesting an internal review of decision (legislative option).
- Additional information regarding making an Ombudsman complaint; and
- A revised Complaint Handling Methodology.

At the Audit & Risk Management Committee meeting held on the 13 June 2023, the policy was presented for review and feedback. The Committee's recommendation was:

9.4 COMPLAINT HANDLING POLICY

Moved Ms Di Blasio that the Committee recommends that the Complaint Handling Policy, as presented in Attachment A, is endorsed for presentation to the East Waste Board. Seconded Mr Bell Carried

Being a service-based organisation, East Waste has and will continue to receive complaints about various issues of concern. The Policy has been designed to help support Administration in handling complaints whilst focusing on providing an improved customer experience, ensuring good governance and recognising that complaints/feedback provide opportunities for continuous improvement.

Recommendation

The Board endorse the Compliant Handling Policy, as presented in Attachment A.

COMPLAINT HANDLING POLICY **EastWaste**



Туре	Policy		
Category	Governance		
Policy Number	16		
First Issued/Adopted	June 2023		
Minutes Reference			
Review Period	36 months		
Last Reviewed			
Next Review	June 2026		
Applicable Legislation	 Local Government Act 1999 Freedom of Information Act 1991 Public Interest & Disclosures Act 2018 Disability Discrimination Act 1992 Equal Opportunity Act 1984 Ombudsman Act 1972 Privacy Act 1988 Racial Discrimination Act 1975 Work Health and Safety Act Sex Discrimination Act 1984 		
Related Documents	 Internal Review of Decision Procedure Behavioural Standards Policy 		
Consultation Undertaken	Audit & Risk Management Committee		
Responsible Officer	r Manager Business Services		

SIGNED:

General Manager

..... Chairperson

Date: __/__/

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Date: __/__/___

Overview/Purpose

East Waste is committed to achieving customer service excellence by striving to deliver services in a professional, coordinated and timely manner. East Waste is focussed on continuous improvement and proactively looks for all opportunities to improve systems/processes. As such, East Waste recognises that feedback and complaints provide the organisation with an opportunity to improve practices and procedures, as well as resolving matters of concern for our customers.

East Waste will aim to resolve any issues of concern for our customers at the first point of contact wherever possible. However, for issues that are unable to be resolved at the first point of contact, this Policy has been designed to provide a fair, consistent and structured process for East Waste's customers to follow should they wish to lodge a complaint.

Additionally, the Policy sets out the principles and guidelines to be used when addressing complaints made about the actions of East Waste, the Board and Committee members, and/or its Employees.

Definitions

Complaint: An expression of dissatisfaction with a product, service or behaviour delivered by East Waste or its representatives that has failed to reach the standard stated, implied or expected after the initial point of contact. This may include an expression of dissatisfaction about a service that has been, or should have been delivered, but does not include matters outside of East Waste's responsibility.

Employee: Any person performing work on behalf of East Waste, including the General Manager, Managers, Board Members and Employees employed on a full time, part time, casual or contract basis and Persons providing services to, or on behalf of East Waste, even though they may be employed by another party.

Feedback: Can take the form of comments, both positive and negative about services provided by East Waste without necessarily requiring corrective action, change of services or review of decision. Feedback may however, influence future service reviews and delivery methods. East Waste welcomes feedback of all types as an important way of continually improving and monitoring its service standards.

Request for Service: Is an application/request to have East Waste take some form of action to provide a product and/or service.

Customer: A person who is utilising services or products provided by East Waste and includes external customers being any member Council, their staff and/or residents, members of the public or organisations that have any form of dealings with East Waste.

Principles

People Focus: East Waste is open to feedback and/or complaints from all parties including members of the public about decisions, products, services, programs, employees, or the resolution of a complaint.

Transparency: East Waste publicises how and where complaints may be made and will make the process of complaint resolution and investigation easy for complainants to access and understand, whilst being flexible in how complaints may be made to or about East Waste.

Responsiveness: Complaints are acknowledged promptly and addressed according to urgency. The complainant is kept informed throughout the process. East Waste is genuine in

its communication and follows through on its promises. East Waste is outcome focussed and will seek a satisfactory resolution wherever possible.

Fairness: To ensure the complaint handling process is fair and reasonable, complaints are dealt with in an equitable, objective and unbiased manner. East Waste will take all reasonable steps to ensure that people making complaints are not adversely affected because a complaint is made by them or on their behalf.

Support: East Waste supports and assists customers who want help to provide feedback and/or make a complaint. There are opportunities for internal and external review and/or appeal about the organisation's response to the complaint, and complainants are informed about these avenues when applicable.

Confidentiality: Where possible personal information related to complaints will be kept confidential. The confidentiality of information related to a complaint will be respected with complaints about employees being kept confidential throughout the investigation process.

Accountability: Accountabilities for complaint handling are clearly established, and complaints and responses are monitored and regularly reported to management. East Waste Staff have appropriate authority and guidance to resolve issues that commonly arise in the resolution of complaints. East Waste provides appropriate training, support and resources to employees who are responding to complaints.

Continuous Improvement: Complaints represent an opportunity for improvement in East Waste's internal procedures and processes and support ongoing customer satisfaction monitoring.

Complaint Handling Methodology

East Waste aims to resolve customers queries, concerns and requests for service at the first point of contact wherever possible. However, in circumstances where an issue is unable to be resolved following the initial point of contact and the issue is deemed to be a complaint then the steps outlined may be enacted.

Complaint escalated to a more senior staff member

Where it is not possible to resolve a matter at the initial point of contact and the matter is considered to be a complaint, East Waste staff may escalate the complaint to an appropriate senior staff member. This may occur, for example, when the frontline staff member has been involved in the matter that is the subject of the complaint, or when the complaint is about an issue that is above the staff member's delegation or requires a decision to be made at a more senior level.

A senior staff member includes Managers, Coordinators, Team Leaders and/or supervisors.

Step 2 – Internal review of an East Waste decision

Where a complaint has been escalated to a more senior member of staff and the customer is dissatisfied with the outcome, the customer may wish to request an Internal Review.

An Internal Review of an East Waste decision is available under *Section 270 of the Local Government Act 1999*. This is a process established by Legislation that enables a Council or subsidiary to reconsider all the evidence relied upon to make a decision, including new evidence if relevant.

Requests for an Internal Review should include full details on the decision that the complainant is wanting to be reviewed, the date of the decision, the reason for seeking the decision and the

details of the person that made the decision. Request for an Internal Reviews can be made in writing to the East Waste General Manager at one of the following:

Email: <u>east@eastwaste.com</u> Postal Address: PO Box 26, Mansfield Park SA 5012

Due to the limited administrative resources at East Waste, requests for internal review may be assigned to an East Waste Member Council, which ensures the presence of necessary policies, procedures, and resources. Involving a Member Council also enhances the Internal Review Process by introducing an additional level of independence and transparency. Additionally, the East Waste Board will be notified of any requests for Internal Review.

Submitting a Complaint

No distinction will be made between the method of making the complaint, i.e. whether made online, in person or over the telephone. Complaints made or received through any form of media will be accepted, however, depending on the seriousness and complexity of the complaint, the complainant may be requested to provide further information in a defined form (i.e., in writing), taking into account the individual's circumstances/capability.

To assist East Waste in effectively managing a Complaint the person(s) submitting the Complaint should provide sufficient information to assist East Waste in investigating the concerns including a summary of what the Complaint is about and any relevant key information such as but not limited to:

- Complainants Name & Contact information
- Location
- Date/Time of issue
- East Waste employees name (if applicable/available)

To submit a Complaint please contact East Waste via any of the below options:

Email: <u>east@eastwaste.com</u> Phone: (08) 8347 5111 Online form: <u>www.eastwaste.com.au</u> In Writing: East Waste, PO Box 26, Mansfield Park SA 5012

Handling a Complaint

Upon receiving a Complaint East Waste will contact the complainant as soon as possible and within two (2) business days from the time of submission to:

- 1. Confirm receipt of the Complaint.
- 2. Resolve the Complaint if possible and/or

Electronic version on the Intranet is the controlled version. Printed copies are considered uncontrolled. Before using a printed copy, verify that it is the current version. 3. Seek any additional information that may be required to investigate the Complaint and provide the likely timeframe required to investigate and resolve the Complaint.

In instances where a Complaint cannot be resolved at the point of confirming the receipt of the Complaint then the Complainant will be provided with regular updates about the progress of the Complaint.

Employees will be trained to manage complaints efficiently and effectively, and provided with a level of delegated authority appropriate for the nature of complaints they are expected to resolve.

Remedies

East Waste will, where practicable, remedy the situation in a manner which is consistent and fair for both East Waste and the customer(s). The solution chosen will be proportionate and appropriate to the circumstances. Sometimes, however, it may only be possible to offer an apology.

Complainant rights to external review

While East Waste prefers to work with its customers to resolve complaints quickly and effectively, a complainant will always retain the right to seek other forms of resolution, such as contacting their Member Council, Ombudsman, or taking/seeking legal advice.

Additional information regarding lodging a Complaint with the Ombudsman is available online at <u>www.ombudsman.sa.gov.au</u> or by calling (08) 8226 86 99 or 1800 182 150 (outside metro SA only).

Note: Generally, the Ombudsman prefers a complaint to be addressed by the Council/Subsidiary in the first instance, unless this is not appropriate in the circumstances.

Unreasonable Complainant Conduct

All complaints received by East Waste will be treated seriously and complainants will be treated courteously. However, occasionally the conduct of a complainant can make it challenging to resolve and/or investigate a complaint. This may take the form of unreasonable persistence, unreasonable demands, lack of cooperation or argumentative or threatening behaviour. What can be termed 'unreasonable' will vary depending on a number of factors and East Waste aims to manage these situations in a fair and equitable manner.

Where a complainant's behaviour is deemed unreasonable and/or consumes an unwarranted amount of East Waste's resources or impedes the investigation of their complaint, a decision may be made to apply restrictions on contact with the person. Before making any decision to restrict contact, the complainant will be warned that, if the specified behaviour(s) or actions continue, restrictions may be applied.

Any decision to suspend action on a complaint will be made by the General Manager and communicated in writing (where possible) to the complainant in addition to advising the East Waste Chairperson and the CEO of the applicable member Council, if relevant.

Special Provisions

There are specific procedures which apply to particular types of complaints. If the complaint would be more appropriately dealt with by another process, this will be explained to the complainant at the outset.

For example:

- Complaints against a Board Member, Audit and Risk Management Committee Member, the General Manager or employees under the applicable Behavioural Standards Policy.
- Freedom of Information applications
- Claims for financial compensation e.g., insurance claims
- Persons claiming protection under the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018*

Document History:	Version No:	Issue Date:	Description of Change:		
	1.0	June 2023	New document, replacing the previous Complaint Handling Policy and the Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy.		



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9.5: EDUCATION REPORT

REPORT AUTHOR:Manager Business ServicesATTACHMENTS:A: East Waste Annual Education Report – June 2023

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board with an overview of the education and promotional activities delivered to our Member Council's schools and community in the 2022/2023 financial year.

Background

The East Waste Strategic Plan 2030, Objective 3 is: "*Provide leading and innovative behaviour change and education*" which includes several key education related strategies.

To ensure that East Waste continue to deliver on the education related objectives and strategies a number of educational/behavioural related initiatives are administered by both East Waste and through our existing contract with KESAB. The key activities include but are not limited to:

- Attendance at Community Events which includes education stalls and event bin monitoring.
- Social Media Posts.
- Updates to Council's and East Waste's websites.
- Input into the contents of Which Bin website.
- Information Displays at councils and shopping centres.
- Printed Resources/Signage provided to Council's/Schools and Member Council's residents.
- Flyers for inclusion in Council's rates notices.
- Waste and Recycling Bin Audits.
- School Excursions; and
- Community and School workshops.

Report

Over the last twelve (12) months East Waste combined with KESAB, have continued to provide various education and behaviour change programs and activities to ensure a broad community reach, expressly to drive improved waste disposal behaviours and assist East Waste in meeting the 20230 Strategic Plan Key Performance Indicators.

The attached Education Report (refer *Attachment A*) provides an overview of the key programs and activities that have been delivered. Additionally, statistics about the market reach and levels of engagement have been included.

Some of the key highlights are:

- More than 100,000 users accessed East Waste's website this year.
- More than 100,000 people reached through our East Waste Social media accounts.
- Approximately 15,000 listeners tuned to listen to Which Bin? Wednesdays Segment on Coast FM
- Reusable cups were trialled at a community event (Moonlight Markets) resulting in a reduction of approximately 4,000 disposable cups ending up in landfill.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board notes and receives the report.

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Why waste it? and Which Bin? Education Delivery Report - June 2023



East Waste continues to work with Green Industries SA to deliver key Which Bin? campaign messages, website content, weekly tips, printable resources and bin signage. The information and resources are tailored for East Waste Councils and are also available to Councils throughout the state under the Which Bin? campaign.

Education messages continue to be aligned with key behaviour change priorities in diverting food waste e.g., 'Food scraps? Which Bin? Feed 'em to the Green Bin.' Bright colours, clear graphics, simple and clear 'call to action' e.g., 'Grab a kitchen caddy from Council today' messages along with the clever use of humour and catchy phrases, are all important elements in the success and appeal of the campaign. The use of clear and bold graphics has also proven to help overcome language barriers.

Reinforcement of relevant key messages through repetition and continuity help to build mental availability and build knowledge about best practice. These messages are promoted widely and through a multitude of promotional and advertising platforms including broad reach social media and TV advertising through Green Industries SA's 'Which Bin? ask Vin' advertising campaign.

International and national initiatives and events such as *International Compost Awareness Week, Stop Food Waste Day, National Recycling Week* and *Plastic Free July* are utilised as an effective platform for delivering information sessions, education stalls and online promotions. The international and national presence of these campaigns reinforces social-normative behaviours by helping to create a sense of being part of a large community working towards a common good in reducing waste and recycling more.

This year East Waste supported 29 community events through the delivery of education stalls and assistance with waste management. The Why waste it? Which Bin? education stalls provide a valuable and positive interaction with residents, reaching over 7,000 residents through face-to-face discussions, answering Which Bin? and recycling questions, playing the popular mini-bin game with 1,120 games played. Giveaways included mini-bins and keyrings made from recycled plastic lids as prizes as well as printed flyers and bin stickers. Assistance with event waste management has been facilitated mostly through education stalls as well as providing bin monitoring, bin signage and supporting stall holders to provide 100% compostable takeaway items. This year we also trialled the use of reusable cups, through *ECup Reusable Cups & Systems*. This prevented over 4,000 disposable cups being used over 3 Moonlight Market events.

New educational signage has been developed and implemented as part of a collaborative trial investigating waste collection services and education in MUDs with City of West Torrens and City of Charles Sturt. This has been in response to contamination issues that are common in shared bin arrangements. Signage has been developed for bin chute areas as well as bin storage areas in both new and retrofitted apartment buildings. The 'Waste Management and Services Guide for Multi-Unit Dwellings' has also been referred to, to assist in the delivery of services and education for MUDS.

School and community education and resources have been delivered through KESAB environmental solutions with 2237 students and adults participating in KESAB education sessions. These sessions were mostly delivered in schools or at KESAB's Education Centre. This included Bin Material Assessments, Which Bin sorting activities, Recycle Relays, Papermaking and Beeswax Wrap Workshops. Mini-bin games were also provided to schools.

Beyond the Kerb Community bus tours were once again popular with residents providing a very insightful education experience into how resources are processed and recycled. These were delivered by KESAB with a total 148 residents attending 8 tours.

The report for the Household Bin Audit conducted in March/April 2022, was provided in February this year. The report provided comparative data on contamination, food waste and household disposal habits. An education focused report was developed for each Council detailing key areas of success as well as opportunities for improvement. To summarise the results and key findings from each waste stream, an infographic was also provided reflecting each Council's results to serve as an effective communication and conversation piece within Councils and the community.

Since April this year, East Waste begun supporting Adelaide Hills Council, City of Prospect and Campbelltown City Council in embarking on undertaking separate trials for weekly food and garden organics (FOGO) collections, set to commence in September and October. A significant and crucial aspect, underpinning the success of the trials is delivering comprehensive and effective community education and promotions. East Waste's Leader of Education and Promotions is working closely with these Councils to develop a communications plan for each Council, in alignment with the <u>SA Better Practice Guide:</u> <u>Sustainable Kerbside Services</u>, launched in May. This will become a key focus during the next few months. East Waste welcome the trials as it will undoubtably help to shift behaviour by removing the barriers imposed by fortnightly FOGO collections as well as implement a new FOGO service in rural areas of Adelaide Hills.

"Whilst education will play a key role in sustained behavioural change, education alone is unlikely to be enough. A review of scheme design, collection frequencies, materials targeted alongside an extensive education campaign, is required." Source: East Waste White Paper – Review of Waste System and Scheme Education, Ricardo Energy Environment & Planning, September 2020

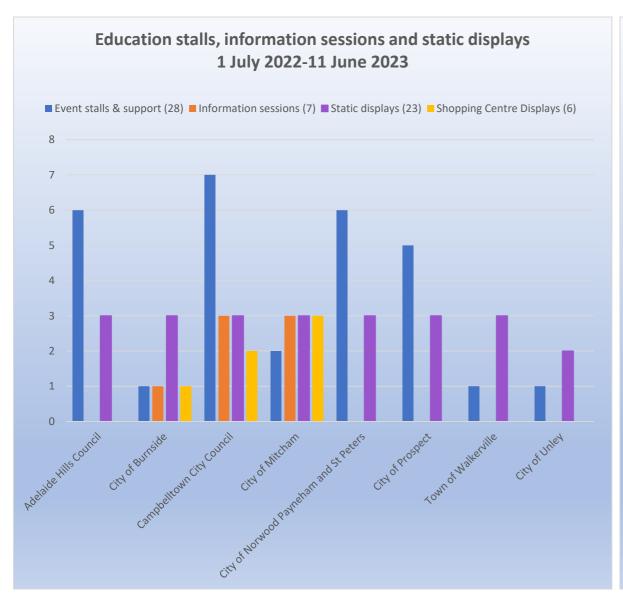


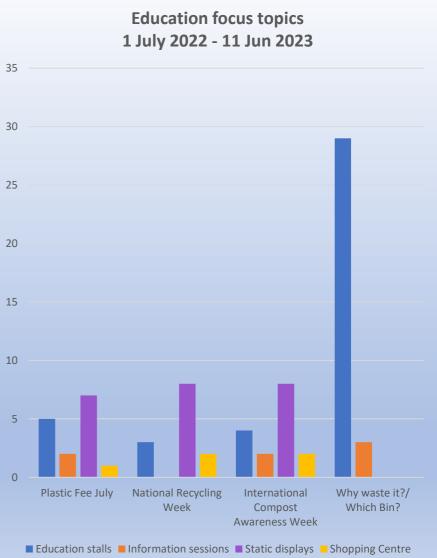
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Method of delivery	Education delivered	Residents reached and impact
Which Bin? website and tips	Items lookup tool, A-Z directory, tips and videos promoted by Green Industries with a new 'Which Bin? Just ask Vin' campaign. East Waste provides input and content updates for the website.	Website and campaign is delivered state-wide
East Waste and Council websites	The East Waste and Council websites are regularly updated with recycling and waste information. Relevant publications and news articles are also published on these websites.	Council websites are an important source of information for residents and have been identified as one of the main ways residents seek information on waste and recycling. East Waste's website had over 101,000 users this year.
My Local Services app - weekly tips received with bin collection reminders	Waste reduction and recycling tips are delivered each week through the My Local Services app at 6pm on 'bin night' – allowing delivery of education timed when waste disposal behaviour is taking place. Public Holiday collections and other important waste collection information is also promoted through these notifications.	As of 1 June 2023: 27,162 East Waste residents now receive the tips each week
Social Media (mostly Facebook)	Weekly tips replicating those going out through the MLS app, relevant events, public holiday collections and other important information published. These are promoted through East Waste's and each of our Council's social media platforms.	2,709 followers. Total reach = 102,085 for the year with 237 posts. This figure does not include the additional reach within our 8 member Councils SM platforms, who also post and share the weekly tips and other SM content. *See social media report for more details
Community event education stalls and bin monitoring	Education stalls allow for face-to-face delivery of education and resources. Residents can get their questions and concerns answered firsthand and collect printed resources including bin stickers and factsheets. The mini-bin game provides an attractive fun element and effective learning tool for children and adults. Mini-bins and recycled plastic keyrings are provided as prizes for additional incentive. Kitchen caddies and compostable bags are also provided for residents at the stalls. Bin monitoring allows for education to be delivered at the point that waste disposal behaviour is taking place. This usually includes being dressed up as a slice of pizza, taco or other food item to add a fun and humorous element to the activity. Bin monitoring is an essential element to minimising contamination in the bins and maximising waste diversion at events.	 Average of 250 people visit the education stall per event x 29 events this year = 7,250 approx. Community events were very well attended this year, returning to pre-covid numbers. As a result, the education stalls had a very high number of visitors with a record 1,120 mini-bin games played. Bin monitoring has been key to achieving an 80% diversion rate with minimal contamination at Campbelltown City Council's Moonlight Market.

Event bin signage, food vendor education and signs	The 'Event Education and Waste Management Tool Kit' has been provided to all councils to assist with maximising resource recovery and minimising contamination and waste at events. The toolkit has been updated to include details about the single use plastic bans on plastic cutlery, straws, stirrers (March 2021) and expanded polystyrene cups, bowls, plates and clamshell containers (March 2022) as well as links to other resources including Green Industries SA's recent Zero Waste Guide for Events and Venues Key elements of this includes advice and guidance to stall holders on the requirements of providing 100% compostable or recyclable takeaway items. Vendors are also supplied with stall signage indicating 'which bin' their specific takeaway items should go into. Reusable/refillable E-cups were introduced at this year's Moonlight Markets events allowing vendors to supply reusable, refillable cups as a preferred alternative to disposable cups.	All Councils have been provided with the toolkit and bin stickers and or signs at Council events. Using reusable cups at Moonlight Markets resulted in over 4000 disposable cups avoided.
	Bin stickers and above bin corflute signs have been provided to Councils to allow patrons to identify which bin to use and guide correct disposal behaviour. The large signs use clear graphics and bright colours to ensure maximum visibility and most patrons stop to read and adhere to them.	
'Which Bin? Wednesdays' Radio segment on Coast FM	Segment is delivered once per month discussing the latest recycling news stories, initiatives and important topics such as food waste. Listeners are also given the opportunity to call in with their 'Which Bin?' questions.	15,000 tune into the 'Coast Wednesday Magazine' program featuring the 'Which Bin? Wednesdays' segment. Current listening audience exceeds 52,000 weekly listeners (<i>not specific to East Waste Council areas, but</i> <i>mostly within SA</i>).
Council Newsletter and E-News	Regular articles are featured in quarterly newsletters for 5 member Councils (those who still print them) as well as in monthly and weekly E-news bulletins. Topics are themed aligning with key initiatives, significant events and seasonal themes.	Reach is dependent on the Council, publishing method used and frequency of the publication. All publications are available online via Council websites.
Why waste it? /Which Bin? education sessions/presentations	Cover topics of 'avoid, reduce, reuse, recycle and compost' and the correct disposal of items	3 presentations delivered = 90 residents

Talks/presentations linked to National/International events and campaigns	Plastic Free July and International Compost Awareness Week.	4 presentations delivered = 110 residents
Static information displays	Static information displays delivered for Plastic Free July, National Recycling Week and International Compost Awareness Week. Banners, posters, display props, flyers and stickers and digital screen images provided to Councils to display in the Customer Service area, foyer and libraries.	23 displays delivered = 3,500 residents approx.
Shopping Centre Displays	Education stalls were hosted during Plastic Free July and National Recycling Week at Newton Central Shopping Centre, Mitcham Shopping Centre and Walkerville Shopping Centre. These stalls were very popular and an effective way to reach out to the residents.	6 education stalls delivered = 900 people approx.
Printed resources, bin stickers and signs	 Pull up banners, flyers, booklets, kerbside bin stickers, school bin stickers, event bin stickers and signage, factsheets, calendars, magnets and no junk mail stickers are provided for all Councils. These are distributed through event stalls, customer service desk, displays, mail outs and online orders through our website. Resources are also used in response to contaminated bin reports and bin tagging programs. School bin stickers are also provided to education sites within East Waste's Council areas. These large front of bin stickers are very popular with many schools outside of East Waste Council areas including interstate requesting them. Bin signage and stickers or MUDs has been developed with Green Industries SA using the Which Bin? design. Large 660L and 240L bin stickers are available for use and signs can be printed to suit specific size requirements. 	All Councils are provided with printed resources on request within a printing budget. Printed resources are distributed to residents and schools through education stalls, information sessions, online orders or requests through customer service.
Rates notice flyers	All Councils were encouraged to include a 'Don't waste your rates' flyer with a focus on the dollar savings that could be gained by Council if residents use a kitchen caddy and correctly dispose of food and compostable items in the green bin. NPSP initially sent out a flyer in collaboration with East Waste. Several other Councils have now done the same.	NPSP placed the flyer in the fourth quarter rates notices and resulted in over 600 kitchen caddies ordered in just one month.

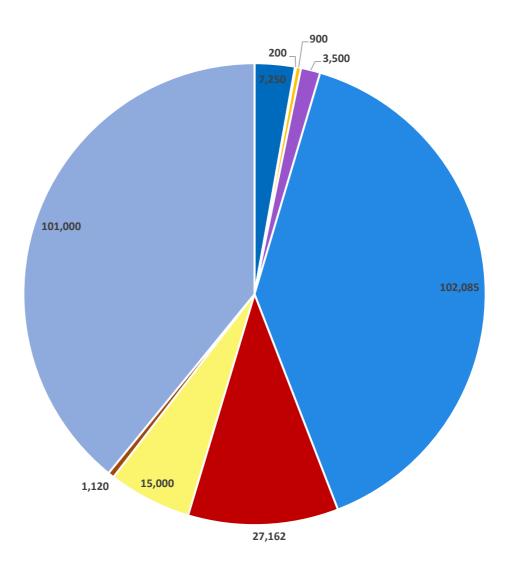


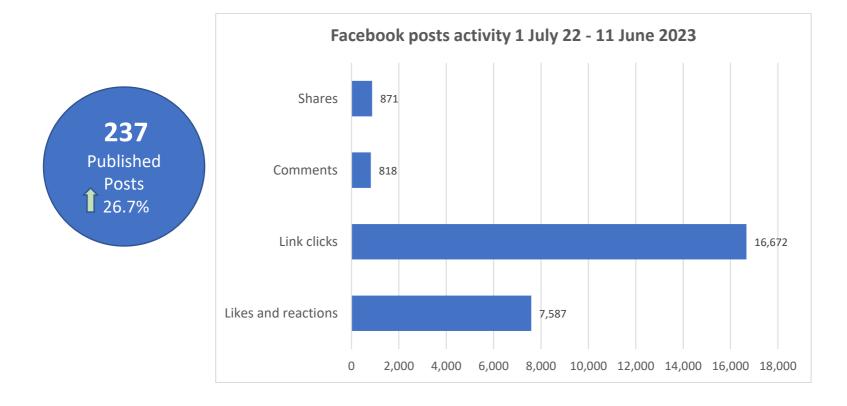


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Education delivery reach 1 July 2022 - 11 June 2023

- Education stalls at events
- Information sessions
- Shopping Centre stalls
- Static displays
- Social media
- My Local Services App weekly tips
- Which Bin? Wednesdays Coast FM Radio
- Mini-bin games played at events
- East Waste Website





Most popular posts



Don't rubbish your recycling! Im Image Contamination is costly! Having to pay to handle and dispose of contaminated recyclables costs us and our community a lot of money.! Image Image

August 10, 2022



Larger Christmas gifts often come in rigid expanded polystyrene packaging. Please remember that your yellow recycle bin is a NO FOAM ZONE! I I can be recycled if it is clean i.e. no sticky labels, dirt etc. through the following drop off locations (charges may apply): 1. Electronics Recycling Australia, 301 Grand Junction Road Ottoway (drop off weekdays 8am-4pm only) 2. NAWMA's Resource Recovery Centre, gate 3 Bellchambers Road, Edinburgh North (drop off any day of the week) 3. Coolfoam, 25 Barfield Crescent, Edinburgh North (drop off veekdays 8am-3pm only) 4. Heathfield Resource Recovery Centre, 32 Scott Creek Road, Scott Creek (drop off 7 days per week 9am-4pm) 5. All Axis, 9 Maxwell Road Pooraka (drop off Monday - Friday 7am-5pm) If dropping it of for recycling isn't an option for you, place it inside of a plastic bag, break it up into smaller pieces, then tie the bag before placing it in your landfill bin (red or blue lid). Click here for more info recycling https://www.whichbin.sa.gov.au/tips/drop-off-polystyrene #Christmas #recycling #WhichBin? Dec 23, 2022

Likes & Link Reach reactions Clicks 11,183 59 526

51

27

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Please DO NOT place your old batteries any kerbside bins! This is what can happen when the wrong thing is placed in a kerbside bin. Whilst it is uncertain as to the exact cause of this fire, it is highly likely that it was caused by a battery being placed in the bin. After noticing smoke, the driver contacted SA Metropolitan Fire Service who extinguished the dumped load in Dulwich today. Second Seco

Video of fire in hopper

Jan 10, 2023

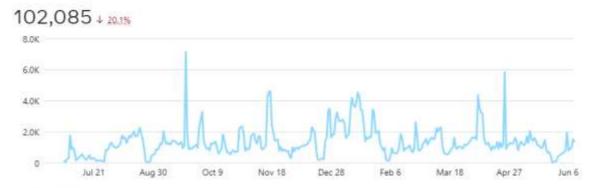


With all the wheelie stormy windy weather about, here are some bin tips to help weather the storm; 1 If you have experienced power outages and as a result have spoiled food, please remember to remove the packaging and place spoiled food into your green bin for composting. W #Whywasteit? When you can #compost it!
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 Mit all the wheelie storms windy weather #power too heavy to lift. 3 If your bin is only partly full, please consider not placing your bin out until your next bin collection. Light weight bins are more likely to blow over in the wind causing litter and safety issues.
 #adelaidestorm #wastemanagement #storms #windyweather #poweroutages #foodwaste *video footage is from similar storms last year in Aldinga Beach, broadcast Channel 7I 7 news.

Nov 13, 2022

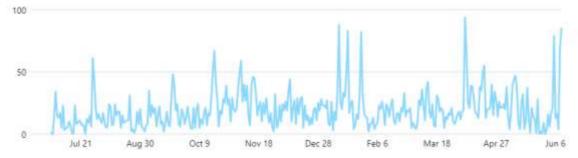
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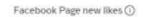


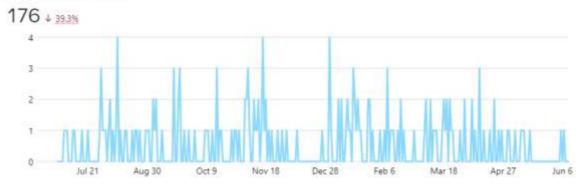


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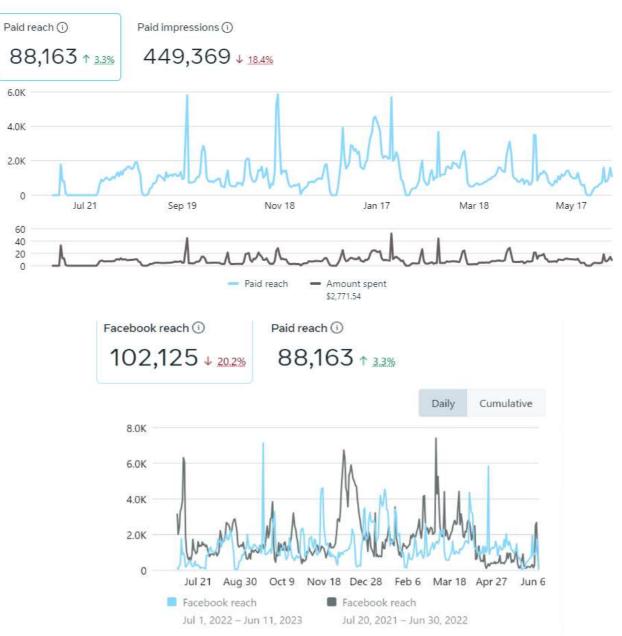








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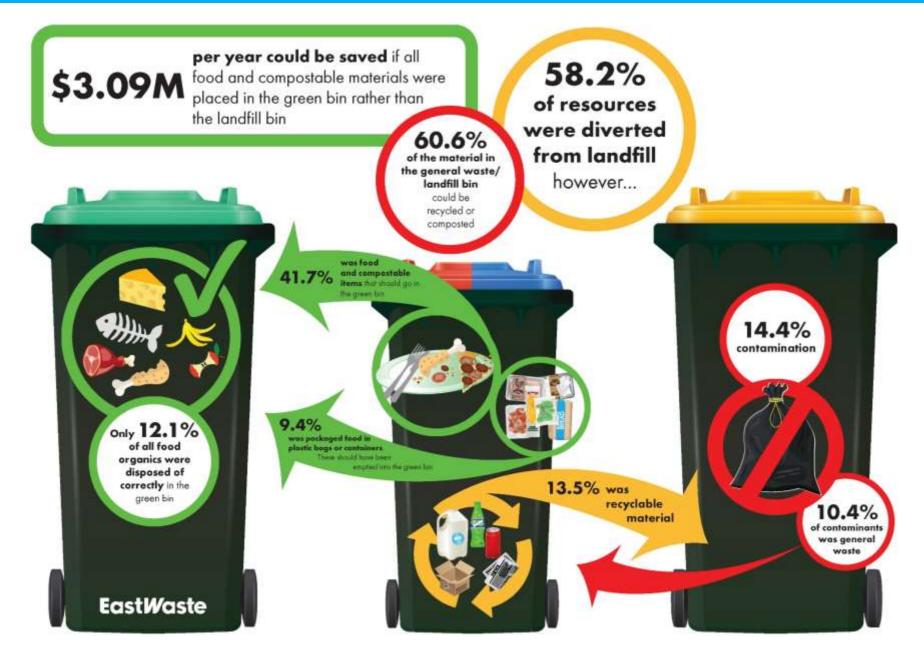


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Facebook Demographics Audience Current audience Potential audience Facebook Page followers () 2,709 Age & gender () 20% 0% 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65+ Women 78.5% Men Men 21.5% Top cities Adelaide, SA, Australia 81.5% Melbourne, VIC, Australia 196 Lobethal, SA, Australia 0.7% Sydney, NSW, Australia 0.7% Mount Barker, SA, Australia 0.6% Bridgewater, SA, Australia 0.4% Victor Harbor, SA, Australia 0.4% Birdwood, SA, Australia 0.3% Brisbane, QLD, Australia

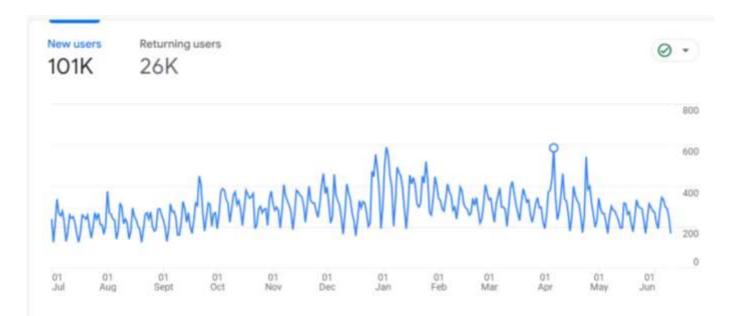
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Household Bin Audit Report Infographic

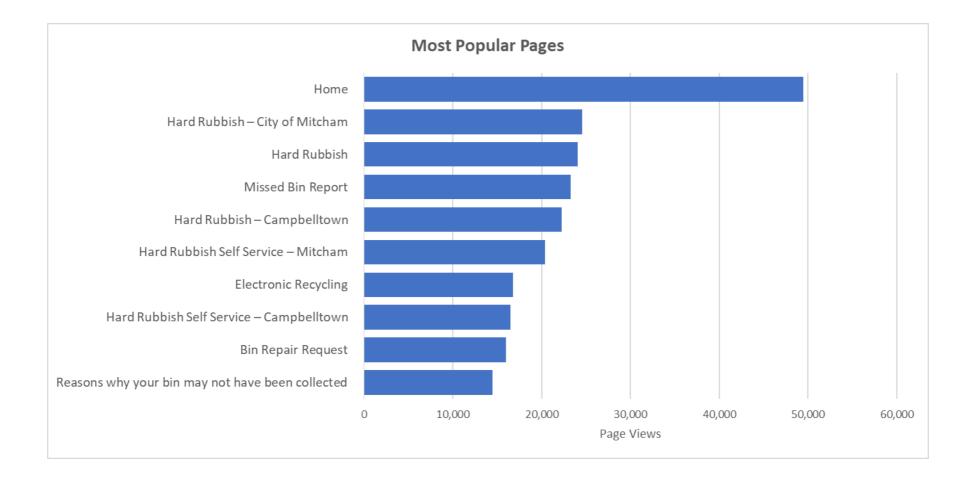


East Website Analytics

East Waste website users 1 July 2022 – 11 June 2023



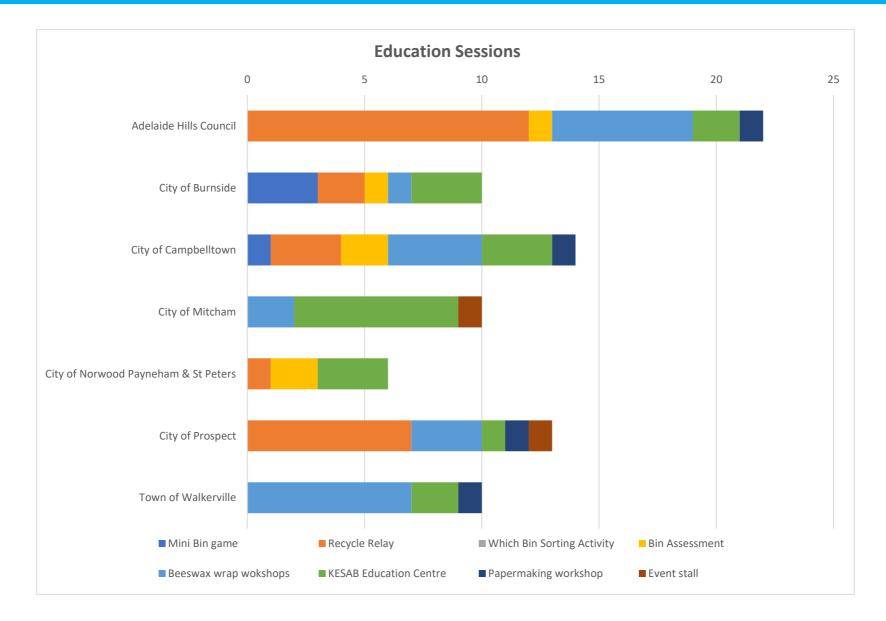
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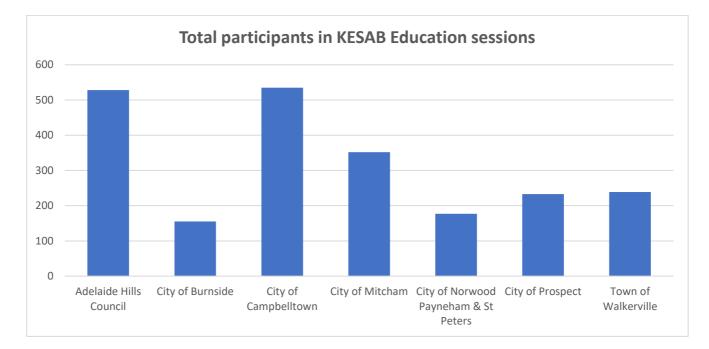


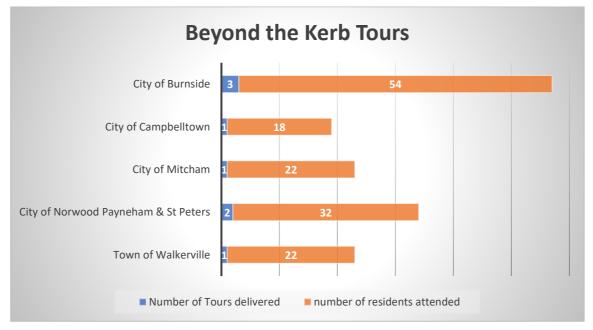
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1 Home - East Waste		49,472	17,556	2.82	
2 Hard Rubbish - City of Mitcham - East Waste		24,612	8,415	2.92	
3 Hard Rubbish - East Waste		24,083	8,335	2.89	
4 Missed Bin Report - East Waste		23,286	8,037	2.90	
5 Hard Rubbish – Campbelltown - East Waste		22,261	7,470	2.98	
6 Hard Rubbish Self Service – Mitcham - East Waste		20,373	6,462	3.15	
7 Electronic Recycling - East Waste		16,767	6,441	2.60	
Hard Rubbish Self Service – Campbelltown - East Waste		16,473	5,064	3.25	
9 Bin Repair Request - East Waste		15,983	5,556	2.88	
10 Reasons why your bin may not have been collected - East Waste		14,494	6,430	2.25	
Hard Rubbish Self Service - NPSP - East Waste		14,306	4,300	3.33	
2 Hard Rubbish Self Service – Burnside - East Waste		14,078	4,396	3.20	
13 E-waste Drop Off Locations - East Waste		12,598	5,226	2.41	
Hard Rubbish Self Service – Unley - East Waste		12,159	3,805	3.20	
15 Hard Rubbish – City of Burnside - East Waste		12,123	4,194	2.89	
Hard Rubbish Self Service – Prospect - East Waste		10,898	3,032	3.59	
17 - East Waste		8,812	3,289	2.68	
18 City of Burnside - East Waste		8,129	2,942	2.76	
19 Hard Rubbish - NPSP - East Waste		7,739	2,717	2.85	
20 Green: Food and Garden Organics (FOGO) Bin - East Waste		7,465	2,805	2.66	
21 Hard Rubbish - Adelaide Hills Council - East Waste		7,448	2,486	3.00	
22 Tricky Waste Items - East Waste		7,381	2,916	2.53	
23 Adelaide Hills Council - East Waste		7,343	2,544	2.89	
24 City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters - East Waste		7,196	2,676	2.69	
25 Council Collection Calendars - East Waste		6,986	2,789	2.50	

NEW Hard Rubbish Self Service pages

KESAB environmental solutions – Education delivery summary









Board Meeting 22 June 2023 Item 9.6

9.6: BOARD AND AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION FRAMEWORK

REPORT AUTHOR:	Coordinator Finance & Strategic Projects
ATTACHMENTS:	A: Draft Board Performance Evaluation Form
	B: Draft Audit & Risk Management Committee Evaluation Form

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board with a draft framework for undertaking annual performance evaluations of the East Waste Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee.

Background

Historically East Waste has not had a formal process in place to facilitate the review and ongoing development of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, Board and Members. Implementation of an official performance evaluation process will allow East Waste to seek feedback on the overall effectiveness of its Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee, provide meaningful feedback to individuals for their own growth and development and if required, feedback to Member Councils. This process is an important component of a robust governance framework, integral to ensuring continuous improvement, and creates a formal feedback loop to Directors, Committee Members and Constituent Councils.

Report

East Waste has been fortunate over recent history to have a strong and robust Audit & Risk Committee and Board which has provide appropriate strategic, governance and financial oversight on behalf of Member Councils. There has however been no formal evaluation or review process to record and/or measure this. As a component of driving continuous improvement and performance across the Organisation, Administration is proposing an annual performance evaluation process, to be conducted in September/October each year, with formal reporting to the November Audit & Risk Management Committee and Board Meetings.

It is proposed, Each Board Member (excluding deputies) and Committee Member will receive a form (refer to Attachments A & B) to complete and return to East Waste. The 2-part evaluation process – Part A will assess the performance of the Board and Committee overall, and Part B refers to performance of individual members, including a self-assessment – is designed to quickly, but effectively seek feedback in a formalised, recordable process, rather than the anecdotal approach currently relied upon.

The Results of Part A of the assessment will form the basis of a public facing Performance Report that will be presented to the Audit & Risk Management Committee and Board. The results of Part B will be kept confidential, only to be reviewed by East Waste's Chair, the Audit & Risk Management Committee Chair and Executive Leadership Team. It is intended that feedback will be shared with members relating to their individual performance via a *Performance Snapshot* document, distributed by East Waste's Executive Assistant. This document will become a standardised report and will summarise the key trends in individual performance scoring by peers when compared with self-assessment scoring, primarily to be used as a self-development tool for Board and Committee members. For independent Members of the Audit & Risk Committee, it will strengthen the recommendations for reappointment considerations at the end of nominated terms. In some situations, where peer scoring is vastly different to an Individual's self-assessment scoring, at the discretion of the Chair, findings from an individual's performance report may be discussed with the individual privately to address areas for development or provide general feedback. In some instances, where an Individual scores consistently low through the peer review process, feedback may be shared with the Chief Executive Officer of the Member's Council (where appointed by a Council) in order to assist the Member Council with adequate representation.

Administration wants to reassure Board & Committee Members that this process is not a means to target Individuals, nor is it a reflection of the current skillset across East Waste's Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee; simply a means to track performance and practice good governance. The scope of the evaluation, while in-depth, will provide invaluable insight and enable East Waste to continue to improve and refine systems and processes and determine the key skillsets required for high performance. Additionally, it is expected that the exercise will highlight training and development opportunities.

Having reviewed the framework at the 13 June 2023 meeting, the Audit & Risk Management Committee resolved:

9.5 BOARD AND AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION FRAMEWORK

Moved Mr Bell that the Committee recommends that the draft Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee Performance Evaluation Framework, and Evaluation forms as presented in Attachment A & B, are presented to the Board for endorsement. Seconded Ms Di Blasio **Carried**

Feedback on the performance evaluation will be sought at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board endorses the *Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee Performance Evaluation Framework*, and Evaluation forms as presented in Attachment A & B.

East Waste Board Performance Evaluation 2023

The Evaluation is separated into two sections - Part A evaluates overall Board effectiveness, and Part B is an Individual member evaluation including self-assessment.

For each question, mark 'X' for the response that represents your best judgment:

- (1) To a very small extent
- (2) To a small extent
- (3) To some extent
- (4) To a great extent
- (5) To a very great extent

Board Member: _____

	Question	1	2	3	4	5
1.	The Board collectively has the required skills, commitment and knowledge of its Charter, the Strategic Plan and Local Government framework to enable it to discharge its duties effectively					
2.	The Board is of an appropriate size					
3.	Board Members understand their legal and compliance obligations of the role					
4.	Board Members ensure the avoidance of any conflict of interest					
5.	There is clear delineation between the role of the Board and the role of Administration					
6.	The role of the Chair is clearly defined and understood					
7.	Board Members are appropriately inducted					
8.	Administrative support to the Board is adequate and effective					
9.	The Board is effective in its oversight and monitoring of East Waste's performance against the East Waste Charter					
10.	The Board understands and identifies the key relevant issues affecting East Waste					
11.	The Board understands the key risks affecting East Waste and devotes sufficient time for discussion and oversight of risk					
12.	The Board is satisfied that East Waste has, or is actively developing, a sound risk management framework and that risks are appropriately escalated through management and to the Board					
13.	The Board periodically reviews its risk appetite and risk policy which are used to evaluate key decisions					
14.	The Board gives due consideration to ensuring probity in its procurement processes and regularly reviews its Procurement Policy					
15.	The financial reports received by the Board contain adequate information for financial oversight and to enable informed decisions to be made					
16.	The Board regularly reviews the General Manager's performance against determined key performance indicators, aligned to the implementation of East Waste's Strategic Plan					

	Question	1	2	3	4	5
17.	The Board has a good understanding of who the key stakeholders of East Waste are					
18.	There is full and accurate reporting on the operations of East Waste to Member Councils					
19.	The Board has developed a good relationship with stakeholders					
20.	Board meetings are effective in achieving the correct balance between oversight of East Waste's performance and strategy					
21.	The Board meeting agenda is well planned and enables adequate discussion of the important items					
22.	The frequency of meetings and size of the agenda is appropriate for the organisation					
23.	Board reports are well written and can be easily understood					
24.	Board meeting papers are an effective and timely source of information for Board Members					
25	The Board's process for decision making is effective					
26.	The Board uses confidential orders appropriately and conducts sessions without management present from time to time					
27.	The business of the Board is accurately captured in the Minutes					
28.	The Board receives timely and appropriate information for major decisions					
29.	The Board has adopted processes and structures (such as a Board calendar or work plan and Board sub committees) which assist the Board to be as effective as possible					
30.	The Board has a useful process to following up actions from previous meetings					
31.	The number of Board committees and their composition is effective in assisting the Board properly discharge its duties					
32.	The Audit and Risk Management Committee adds significant value to East Waste					
33.	There is a healthy culture of respect and collegiality around the Board table					
34.	All Board Members are given opportunity to speak and be heard					
35.	Board culture supports an environment for proper discussion and disagreement whilst maintaining good relationships and appropriate engagement by Board members					
36.	The Chair effectively balances inclusivity and collegiality with leadership and accountability					
37.	The Board's culture promotes trust and candour for effective decision making					
38.	There is good engagement between the Board and the General Manager					
39.	The Chair is an effective leader for the Board					
40.	The Chair draws out contributions from all Board members					
41.	The Board overall is effective and adds value					

PART B – INDIVIDUAL & SELF EVALUATION

Fraser Bell

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East Waste Audit & Risk Committee Performance Evaluation 2023

The Evaluation is separated into two sections - Part A evaluates overall Committee effectiveness, and Part B is an Individual member evaluation including self-assessment.

For each question, mark 'X' for the response that represents your best judgment:

- (1) To a very small extent
- (2) To a small extent
- (3) To some extent
- (4) To a great extent
- (5) To a very great extent

Committee Member: _____

PART A – COMMITTEE EVALUATION

	Question	1	2	3	4	5
1.	The Committee collectively has the required skills, commitment, and knowledge to manage its workload and obligations					
2.	The Committee is of an appropriate size and structure					
3.	The balance of independent vs non-independent members is appropriate					
4.	The Committee's Terms of Reference clearly outline roles and responsibilities and covers the legislative requirements of an Audit & Risk Committee					
5.	The role of the Chair is clearly defined and understood					
6.	Committee members understand their legal duties on behalf of East Waste					
7.	The Committee does not rely on any one Committee Member to provide appropriate advice and expertise					
8.	The remuneration of the Committee is appropriate based on role, responsibility, skills/experience, time commitment and retention					
9.	The Committee is distributed a workplan that covers the requirements of the Committee's Terms of Reference					
10.	Committee meetings are appropriately scheduled (i.e. frequency, timing, duration, etc.)					
11.	Agenda papers are distributed in a timely manner					
12.	The size of the agenda is manageable within the meeting					
13.	Committee reports are well written and can be easily understood					
14.	The business of the Committee is accurately captured in the minutes					
15.	The discussions within the Committee meetings are relevant and useful for decision making					
16.	Management does not unduly influence the recommendations of the Committee					
17.	The Committee uses confidential orders appropriately and conducts sessions without management present from time to time					
18.	The Committee has a useful process to following up actions from previous meetings					
19.	All Committee members express their professional view within the meeting					

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20.	All Committee members appropriately disclose any conflicts of interests					
21.	The Committee works effectively as a team					
22.	The Committee presiding member has an effective and constructive working relationship with the Board and Management					
23.	The Committee presiding member builds healthy room dynamics					
24.	The Committee presiding member ensures that the Committees workload is managed appropriately					
25.	The Committee presiding member keeps the meeting focused and on track					
26.	The Committee adds value to the work of East Waste					
27.	The Board actively seeks the views of the Committee on matters relating to its Terms of Reference					
28.	The Committee's operations does not diminish the ultimate responsibility of the Board					
29.	The Committee has a constructive relationship with the Board					
30.	The Committee has a constructive relationship with Management					
31.	The Committee has appropriate access to information and staff					
32.	Management keep the Committee informed of relevant information and risks between meetings					
33.	The minutes, decisions and actions of the Committee are reported to the Board in a timely and accurate manner					
34.	The Committee has a clear understanding of the Board's risk tolerance					
35.	The Committee ensures that the organisation has appropriate internal controls, frameworks, systems and processes established for the management or risks					
36.	The Committee reviews and understands the organisations risk profile					
37.	The Committee is confident that senior executives understand their responsibilities for managing risks					
38.	The Committee is confident that East Waste has appropriate internal controls established to manage risks					
39.	The Committee receives comprehensive reporting that assesses the effectiveness of internal controls					
40.	The Committee has oversight of compliance with regulations, policies, best practice guidelines, instructions and contractual arrangements					
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Board Meeting 22 June 2023 Item 9.7

9.7: INVESTIGATION OF AUSTRALIAN CARBON CREDIT UNITS REPORT

REPORT AUTHOR:General ManagerATTACHMENTS:A: Investigation of Australian Carbon Credit Units for Weekly FOGO Transitions

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board, for information purposes, a copy of the findings from East Waste's investigation into Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs).

Background

As part of the 2022/23 Annual Plan, East Waste undertook a project looking at the carbon market opportunities available to East Waste (and its Member Councils) within the waste sector. This led to a deeper investigation into the potential of accessing Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) via the Clean Energy Regulator's Source Separation Organic Waste Methodology, if a transition to weekly FOGO and fortnightly waste collections occurred.

In short, Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) are a financial instrument awarded to eligible energy efficiency, renewable energy generation and carbon sequestration projects that result in a reduction of Greenhouse Gas emissions. An ACCU is a unit issued by the Australian Government's Clean Energy Regulator (CER) that represents one tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2-e) stored or avoided by a project. They can be used to offset an Organisation's own carbon emissions or sold into market, to other organisations looking to offset their emissions. ACCUs are also purchased by the Federal Government in a commitment to decarbonize Australia's economy through emission reduction projects. The CER has several methodologies to claim ACCUs for activities that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative - Source Separated Organic Waste) Methodology Determination 2016 (SSOW) is one of these methods. The SSOW method allows, subject to the method requirements, for source separated organic material that is diverted from landfill via the proposed project for up to 13 years.

Report

Given the complexity of the topic East Waste engaged MRA Consulting and Rawtec to undertake an analysis based on two of our Member Councils, to determine the likely number of carbon credits generated and economic value of registering a project (assuming it was accepted). The Councils selected had both undertaken preliminary collection frequency change work and had different post collection activities and disposal sites, thereby generating broader information for East Waste. The high-level findings of the summary report (refer Attachment A), suggest that for Adelaide Hills Council where the following was modelled:

- the introduction of a fortnightly Organics collection for rural properties, in conjunction with the transition of township collections to weekly FOG and fortnightly landfill;
- the collected landfill material remains being taken to Brinkley Waste & Recycling Facility (ie. directly to landfill without any processing); and
- the carbon price over the life of the claimable project period (13 years) averaging \$39/tonne (current approximate price),

there are a significant number of ACCUs generated that are economically attractive if the Council chose to sell them.

The modelling has estimated that in Year 1 alone of the project, 1,780 tonnes of CO2 could be avoided and if these ACCUs were sold at the current market price of \$39/tonne, over the 13-year life of the project an average of \$27,000/annum could be generated. More detail can be found in the report (refer Attachment A).

The City of Prospect was the other Council modelled, and here where the collected material undergoes post collection processing prior to landfilling, the number of ACCUs generated is significantly less and on the basis of current ACCU pricing, not recommended to pursue. The City of Prospect, is a small Council and as such this assessment may change with a larger Council that generated more organic tonnes.

The report and the findings have now been distributed to all Member Councils, with East Waste encouraging Adelaide Hills Council to register a project. There is complexity in the registration process and currently, some ambiguity around whether a waste collection frequency change constitutes an accepted activity under the Source Separated Organic Waste (SSOW) methodology of the Emissions Reduction Fund. East Waste has undertaken initial advocacy work with Green Industries SA and the Local Government Authority SA, enlisting their political support and will continue to support and advocate the project as needed with Adelaide Hills Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board notes and receives the *Investigation of Australian Carbon Credit Units Report, as presented in Attachment A.*

ITEM 9.7 - ATTACHMENT A

Investigation of ACCUs for Weekly FOGO transitions

East Waste - May 2023



Document verification

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Acknowledgement: Summary report prepared by Rawtec supported by ACCU analysis/reporting undertaken by MRA Consulting Group

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ACRONYMS

ACCU	Australian Carbon Credit Units
CER	Clean Energy Regulator
SSOW	Source Separated Organic Waste
FOGO	Food and Garden Organics

Background

Weekly Food and Garden Organics (FOGO) and fortnightly waste is a proven way to divert high levels of food waste from landfill compared to the current fortnightly FOGO and weekly residual waste collection.

Nearly all metropolitan Councils in Adelaide have a fortnightly FOGO collection and weekly waste which does not maximise food waste recovery. The performance of East Waste Councils from 2022 kerbside audits show:

- Only 2 17% by weight of total food waste is placed in the FOGO bin (average of 11% across Member Councils). The remaining 83 98% by weight goes into the residual waste bin.
- 32 50% by weight of the residual waste bin is FOGO material (average of 42% across Member Councils).

These results are consistent with the 2019 kerbside audit and performance of other Councils and state averages.

In July 2022 City of Holdfast Bay transitioned to weekly FOGO and fortnightly residual waste across the whole council area. Kerbside audits during the pilot of this system showed:

- less than 10% of food organics going to landfill (reduction of 20-30% by weight of food in landfill bin)
- a 60-70% increase in food waste recovery (increase of 45-55% recovery of food waste to compost)

The City of Holdfast Bay has demonstrated there is a significant increase in source separated organics (mainly food) being diverted from the residual waste stream to the FOGO stream with a change of collection frequency.

Investigating Australian Carbon Credit Units

East Waste is supporting Member Councils to explore a transition to weekly FOGO. Rawtec and MRA Consulting Group (MRA) were engaged to investigate the potential for Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) to be generated and claimed if these transitions to weekly FOGO/fortnightly waste occur.

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The SSOW method allows ACCU's to be claimed, subject to the method requirements, for source separated organic material that is diverted from landfill via the proposed project for up to 13 years.

Weekly FOGO/fortnightly waste as the default collection system for a Council would be the proposed project. This collection frequency is known to divert a significant proportion of the food from the residual waste bin to the FOGO bin and can be accurately measured.

Registering a project with the CER and claiming ACCU's could significantly improve the business case and support the financial investment decision for councils. The benefits to Councils include:

- Offset of the high upfront costs associated with an effective rollout (caddies, bags, communications and engagement, pilot costs etc)
- Ability to use the ACCU's to offset council emissions or sell accredited carbon credits.
- Provide a clear pathway for the community/resident to assist with recognised emissions reduction.

Potential Limits to the SSOW method

The Methodology Determination and Explanatory Statement of the SSOW method indicates:

"Note that the frequency of bin collection is not included as a factor in the calculation of the expansion proportion; an increase in the frequency of bin collection of an existing activity is not eligible as an expansion waste diversion activity." (Section 35,m page 39)

MRA Consulting have extensive experience in the submission of projects to the CER and have reviewed the statement and acknowledge that diverted tonnes from changes to collection frequency do not qualify for ACCUs. However their view is this only applies to projects already registered under the ERF.

The increase in tonnes of source separated tonnes can be clearly measured based on truck weights and kerbside audits and should be eligible to receive ACCU's for the additional food organics diverted from landfill to commercial composting, however this is yet to be tested

¹ <u>https://www.cleanenergyregulator.gov.au/ERF/Choosing-a-project-type/Opportunities-for-industry/landfill-and-alternative-waste-treatment-methods/source-separated-organic-waste</u>

The process of registering a project will provide clarity on the SSOW methodology.

Analysis and key findings

East Waste nominated both City of Prospect and Adelaide Hill Councils for this investigation. Both are currently considering transition to weekly FOGO fortnightly waste and the learnings from these councils can be applied to all Member Councils. The differing nature of disposal locations and current collection regimes were also key selection factors.

Analysis of the ACCU opportunities was completed by MRA based on the average price of **\$39 per ACCU** (Table 1). It was based on data provided by East Waste and modelling by Rawtec of a transition to weekly FOGO/fortnightly waste. Key assumptions are shown in Appendix 1.

	Prospect	Adelaide Hills
Base kerbside model	Weekly residual waste /fortnightly FOGO	<i>Townships</i> : Weekly residual waste /fortnightly FOGO <i>Rural</i> : Weekly residual waste/no FOGO
New kerbside model (Project)	Weekly FOGO/fortnightly residual waste	Weekly FOGO/fortnightly residual waste townships and rural (new)
Additional FOGO tonnes diverted from landfill year 1	122 tonnes	3,372 tonnes
Number of ACCUs/CO ₂ equivalent tonnes avoided Yr1	145 tonnes	1,780 tonnes
Estimated expenses over 13 years ²	\$139,500	\$139,500
Estimated income over 13 years (if ACCUs are sold)	\$39,000	\$492,700
Profit/loss over 13 years based on \$39 per ACCU	-\$100,500	\$353,000
Average profit/loss per year ³	-\$8,000	\$27,000

Table 1: High level Summary Results of the ACCU analysis

² Estimated expenses include SSO offset reports and audit of offset reports to meet the CER requirements of a registered project. Assumes kerbside audits are done **separately**. ³ Note the profit/loss is not linear.

Key findings - City of Prospect

- There are limited ACCUs awarded. Despite a significant increase in collected FOGO because of the collection frequency change the current post-collection processing of residual waste removes most of the organics prior to the material going to landfill. This reduces the potential to further reduce emissions.
- The sale of ACCUs would generate minimal income (based on current ACCU pricing), making the business case for registering a project low.
- Overall loss over 13 years based on \$39 per ACCU is -\$100,500 (or average of -\$8,000 per annum)
- Sensitivity analysis shows if the average ACCU price rises from \$39 to \$70 per ACCU, the loss over 13 years reduces to -\$70,000.

Key findings – Adelaide Hills Council

- A larger number of ACCUs could be awarded. This is driven by higher diversion of FOGO material from township residual bins and the introduction of FOGO to rural properties. Furthermore, there is currently limited post collection processing of material going to landfill.
- The sale of ACCUs would be significant and the business case for registering a project is high (based on current and conservative pricing). This supports the financial investment decision of council if the registered project is approved by the CER.
- Overall profit over 13 years based on \$39 per ACCU is \$353,500 (or average of \$27,000 per annum)
- Sensitivity assessment shows if the average ACCU price rises from \$39 to at \$70 per ACCU, the profit over 13 years increases to \$744,000 (or average of \$57,000 per annum)

MRA's report and analysis key findings for City of Prospect and Adelaide Hills Councils are available separately.

Recommendations

Based on the analysis undertaken it is recommended that:

- East Waste update Member Council's on findings of the ACCU's investigations, given collection frequency change is currently an item of interest to most.
- Encourage and support AHC to register a project with the CER for the introduction of weekly FOGO.
 - MRA can assist with the preparation of the registration.
 - This will enable the eligibility for registration under the ERF to be determined by the CER.

Appendix 1 – ACCU model assumptions and variables

Assumptions for Prospect and Adelaide Hills Councils

Assumption/Variable	Prospect	Adelaide Hills
Capture of FOGO materials in the waste bin	70%	70%
Opt-out rate of weekly FOGO (% Households)	5%	5%
Contamination in the FOGO bin (2022 kerbside audits)	2.73%	0.81%
% organics removed from waste bin into Compost Like Organics	80%	5% (majority of material to Brinkley)
Landfill gas capture	No and no use of biofilter	No and no use of biofilter
Assumed ACCU price	\$39,	/ACCU
Assumed garden organics lost to landfill	25 tonnes/year	2,700 tonnes/year
Assumed food organics lost to landfill	100 tonnes/year	600 tonnes/year
Limitations/Opportunities	 ACCU value coursignificantly or considered and the second and the second	decrease. O may be higher or icated. This can be trial of weekly FOGO. Id to enter into an ty Contract with the minimum guaranteed (currently at \$17.35), ng the option to sell in



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9.8: JOINT AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PLANNING SESSIONS

REPORT AUTHOR:	General Manager
ATTACHMENTS:	Nil

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board with advice and an overview on two proposed joint sessions with the East Waste Audit & Risk Management Committee.

Background

Nil

Report

The East Waste Board and Audit and Risk Management Committee has experienced a healthy turnover of Members following Local Government elections in late 2022. This has coincided with East Waste undertaking or commencing work on key strategic matters including the Long Term Financial Plan, Strategic Risk Review and Review of the East Waste 2030 Strategic Plan (yet to commence).

To ensure there is no misalignment between the thinking of the Audit & Risk Management Committee and the Board and to ensure the two bodies can effectively and efficiently carry out the tasks required of them (both legislatively and operationally) on behalf of the Member Councils, it is proposed to run two joint workshops prior to the end of the current calendar year. While the workshops are yet to be crafted, it is proposed they will cover at a minimum:

- Review of East Waste working Capital requirements.
- Review of Budget Framework Policy.
- Strategic Risk Management; and
- Review of the 2030 Strategic Plan.

Administration are of the view running these sessions on the topics listed above will significantly assist all Members with an appreciation of the broader perspectives, streamline the work required in the review process and importantly lead to a superior, more robust product for the advancement of East Waste.

Preliminary Planning is for the two sessions to run in the 90 minutes immediately preceding the September and November Board meetings. Board Member feedback on the content and timing of the workshops will be sought at the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Board notes and receives the report.



Board Meeting 22 June 2023 Item 9.9

9.9:ANNUAL REPORTING CALENDARREPORT AUTHOR:Coordinator Finance & Strategic ProjectsATTACHMENTS:A: Annual Reporting Calendar

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board with an update of the progress of East Waste's key reporting requirements via the Annual Reporting Calendar.

Background

At the May 2023 Board Meeting, The Board resolved:

9.3 ANNUAL REPORTING CALENDAR

Moved Cr Allanson that the Board endorses the East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar, as presented in Attachment A, as a base document for tracking the key legislative and governance reporting requirements.

Seconded Mayor Holmes-Ross

Carried

Report

The attached Annual Reporting Calendar (refer Attachment A) provides a snapshot update of the progress of East Waste's key legislative and governance reporting requirements for the calendar year.

The Board will note the interim Audit has historically been undertaken in April each year, but was deferred to June in 2023, meaning the Interim Audit report is unavailable for presentation at the June meetings. Once the Audit is finalised, the Interim Audit Report will be circulated out of session to Board members, and if anything of significance is raised, or if requested, a special meeting will be held to address those matters.

This is a standing item on the Agenda.

Recommendation

That the Board notes the East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar, as presented in Attachment A.

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Attachment A – East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar

East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee

2023

	Feb	Apr/May	Jun	Sep	Nov
Audit & Risk Management Committee Meeting	Feb 14	Apr 26	Jun 13	Sep 12	Nov 14
Board Meeting	Feb 23	May 04	Jun 22	Sep 21	Nov 23

Meeti	ng	Financial					Notes
В	A&R	Budget Review 2	~				
В	A&R	Draft Annual Plan & Budget Assumptions	~				
	A&R	Annual Audit Work Plan					Not available for FY23. Will provide going forward.
		Annual CEOs and Mayors Workshop	~				
В	A&R	Budget Review 3		v			
В	A&R	Long Term Financial Plan Review (inc. Asset Management Plan)		v			Deferred to June A&R and Board Meeting.
В	A&R	Interim Audit Report					Interim Audit deferred to June for FY23.
В	A&R	Annual Plan and Budget Endorsement			~		
В		Review of Confidential Orders			~		
В	A&R	Draft Audited Financial Statements & Meeting with Auditor					
В	A&R	Regulation 10 Financial Report					
В	A&R	Draft Annual Report for Endorsement					
В		Budget Review 1					
В	A&R	Treasury Management Performance Report					
		Governance					
В	A&R	Board & Committee Appointments	~				
В		Annual Education Summary Report			v		
В		Lodgment of RPD, Primary, and Ordinary Returns					
В		General Manager Performance Review					
В		Policy Review Schedule					
В	A&R	Audit & Risk Management Committee Performance Evaluation					
В		Board Performance Evaluation					
В	A&R	Proposed Meeting Schedule for Proceeding Year					
		Risk					
В		Risk Management Framework					
В	A&R	Strategic Risk Register Review					From 2024 will review anually at April meeting . 111



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9.10: ANNUAL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

REPORT AUTHOR:General ManagerATTACHMENTS:A: Annual Plan Implementation Summary

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Board with an update on the implementation of the activities endorsed in the *East Waste* 2022/23 Annual Plan.

Background

At the September 2022 meeting the Board resolved (in part):

8.3 FY23 ANNUAL PLAN (revised) ENDORSEMENT

Moved Mayor Holmes-Ross that the Board:
1. Endorses the 2022/23 Annual Business Plan and Budget (revised), inclusive of all projects and expenditure, effective from 1 August 2022, as presented in Attachment A.

Seconded Mr Dilena

Carried

<u>Report</u>

The attached matrix (refer Attachment A) provides a snapshot update as to the progress of the Annual Plan activities as at 16 June 2023. All projects have been completed, or reached a satisfactory point in their progression and will be completed in the coming financial year.

This is a standing item on the Board Agenda.

Recommendation

That the report be received and noted.

Annual Plan Implementation Summary Matrix

NO.	ACTIVITY/PROJECT	OVERVIEW	STRATEGY	MAIN KPI TARGET	STATUS UPDATE				
	DELIVER COST EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT SERVICES AND FACILITIES								
1	Continue & Expand Core services	East Waste optimisation will come from providing a full suite of services to Member Councils. Where this doesn't occur, East Waste will work with the respective Councils in a bid to secure these services.	1.1	Vision Target	Completed - No current opportunites.				
2	Investigate opportunities outside of existing Member Councils.	East Waste will actively pursue service provision to non-member Councils where value to existing Members can be realised.	1.3	Vision Target	Completed - No current opportunites.				
3	Communication System Update	East Waste is a service-based organisation who recognise the importance of providing a great customer experience. Therefore, it is important that our communication systems are designed in a manner that enhances callers experiences whilst also being able to provide accurate data that helps to inform current & future business decisions.	1.5	Vision Target	Completed - New communications platform in operation and telephone numbers have been ported from previous provider.				

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	MAXIMISE SOURCE SEPARATION & RECYCLING							
4	Continue to advance a broadscale 'Choice & Flexibility model.'	Some small positive steps have been taken across metropolitan Adelaide in recent times to investigate alternate collection options. This program will draw together the latest research and findings to develop an "off-the-shelf" framework which will drive reduced material to landfill, particularly food waste.	2.1	At least 75% of kerbside material separately collected & recycled 100% of food waste separately collected and recycled.	Completed - Framework provided and planning of trials across three Member Councils well underway.			
5	Multi-Unit Dwelling Research and Source Separation Trial.	Some small positive steps have been taken across metropolitan Adelaide in recent times to investigate alternate collection options. This program will draw together the latest research and findings to develop an "off-the-shelf" framework which will drive reduced material to landfill, particularly food waste.	2.2	At least 75% of kerbside material separately collected & recycled 100% of food waste separately collected and recycled.	Project Continuing. Implementation of project stalled and delayed earlier in year due to audit issue of another wate collection Organisation. Project to continue and wrapped up FY24.			
		PROVIDE LEADING AND INNOVATIVE BI	EHAVIOUR CHA	ANGE AND EDUCATION				
6	Delivery of the "Why Waste It?" behaviour change program and associated social media.	Utilising the results of the reviews and audits undertaken over the past 12 months, refine and deliver the ongoing successful "Why Waste It?" program.	3.2	Vision Target	Completed. Refer Report 9.5 - Annual Education Summary			
7	Roll out the East Waste 'education & behaviour change program' to Unley.	As a new member council, there is a large body of work to be undertaken to creating consistency of messaging and information with the City of Unley. This will ensure by year's end consistency, where required, is achieved across the board.	3.2	Vision Target	Project Continuing. External education contract is currently being reviewed and working with Unley Administration to integrate programs.			

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	HELP DRIVE A LOCAL CIRCULAR ECONOMY							
8	Investigate current and future opportunities for East Waste and Member Council in a carbon market.	The collection and processing of materials generates a significant amount of harmful greenhouse gases. This can be minimised through alternative treatment processes, which in turn may provide opportunities within the carbon market. This project will investigate any such opportunities or additional work required.	4.4	Vision Target	Completed. Refer Report 9.7 - Australian Carbon Credit Unit Investigation Report			
	PROVIDE LEADERSHIP							
9	Fleet Replacement	In line with the Long Term Financial Plan, undertake the replacement of five (5) collection vehicles.	5.4	Vision Target	Completed. Six replacement vehicles received. X2 Unley Replacement vehicles recived with reamin 3 scheduled prior to 30 June.			
10	WHS Systems Audit	East Waste will focus on both internal and external auditing. The purpose and objective of the auditing is to test the validity and the effectiveness of the implementation of the systems within our organisation. East Waste will seek evidence of the implementation process that haven taken place. A strong focus on the auditing process will be focusing on the hierarchy of control (HOC). The decision to focus on the HOC is based on the organisational risk factors and previous audit results.		Implement best practice safety standards.	Completed - Action plans have been set and Administration are working through the action items.			