

Media Background

Waste and Recycling Data

On the 8th of April the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. David Templeman MLA, visited the Regional Resource Recovery Centre (RRRC) in Canning Vale as part of an announcement that the State Government's MyCouncil website will now include local government waste and recycling data.

The announcement sees the Cities of Melville, Fremantle and Town of East Fremantle all coming in the top 5 in the metro area for diverting waste from landfill.

In 2017-18 the

- Town of East Fremantle recovered 61% of all household waste - equal 1st in the metro area and 2nd overall in WA
- City of Melville recovered 60% of all household waste - 3rd in the metro area and 4th overall in WA
- City of Fremantle recovered 54% of all household waste - 5th in the metro area and 6th overall in WA

The overall diversion rate covers all household waste, including the materials collected from household bins and verge collections.

Aside from the materials collected through the yellow-topped recycling bin, a strong part of this result is the recovery of materials organic waste collected through the green-topped general waste bin. This bin is currently processed through the Waste Composting Facility at the RRRC which separates out the organic materials and creates a compost suitable for use for agricultural purposes.

In the second half of 2019, each of the three councils will roll out a three-bin Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) system. The implementation will allow for the production of a cleaner, higher quality compost, less landfill and reduced processing costs.

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