

## **Waste Strategy Steering Committee - Meeting 5**

### **MINUTES**

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Meeting held 6 February 2018 at  
Council Offices – Roberts Ave  
Reception Room

1. Present  
Heather Phillips, Wendy Lynch, David Bowe, David Pratt, Mick Morris, Kelvin Howe, Rhonda Coffey, Cr David Grimble, Jared Hammond, John Martin
2. Apologies  
Millie Spence (will no longer be able to attend due to VCE commitments)  
La Vergne Lehmann
3. Previous meeting  
Moved: Heather Phillips Seconded: Mick Morris that the minutes of the previous meeting 19 September were true and correct. Carried.
  - a. Action items
    - Events and contamination – La Vergne was looking into this
    - Audits and consultants – didn't get money for this proposed project.
    - Aged care facilities, people with a disability etc – issue with wheeling bins out front – Wendy has spoken to people in the community. Variety of methods that people are using to get the bins out – carers, neighbors, leave out on street. Largely rely on people around them and not everybody has someone.
      - JM – bins on 4 wheels? They are out there – Kelvin to look into
      - HP – could this go on agenda for new age friendly group agenda? Action – refer to Janet Hall.
4. Recycling Current Issues
  - Developing area at the moment
  - Two weeks ago Council got advice from our contractor that Visy is no longer receiving recycled waste.
  - Wheelie Waste services 250,000 households
  - 7 contractors affected have had meeting with the Minister
  - The Minister's intent is that no recycling will end up in landfill
  - Package will be put together by state government to support recycling in the short term – will ensure that businesses are kept running. Wheelie Waste has 150 jobs on the line
  - Issue comes from China having a ban on certain types of recycled material

- Messages from government – collection will continue and need to think about things that can be done to encourage demand for recycled products.
- SKM is rebuilding a state of the art facility
- Discussion:
  - Now is the time to change
  - Need a container deposit scheme
  - There is also an e-waste ban coming in
  - More media needs to come out as people are unsure what to do

## 5. Options Paper

Not picturing this to go to public in this form as it is quite a complex paper

### a. Service Elements

- Looked at services and broke up into elements and what it would cost (on top of current costs)
- Trying to focus on what does a residential customer see as a core product

### b. Options Packages

- Costs on page 4
- Cost per tonne and cost per customer are the key indicators
- Don't need to debate which package is best today – would like to get to a place where we show community best packages. There are also some packages that aren't on here.
- Want to go to public with a range of sensible packages and then tell us – feel free to make your own package for consideration
- Do we need to have an urban service package and a rural service package?

### c. Sensitivity Analysis

- Discussed the uncertainty in the various options. If there is poor take up of some services, this could impact on the cost of providing the service.

### d. Risks

- There is no end market for the green waste
- Fortnightly collection – odour and health, putting items in recycling

## 6. Engagement Process

- Guidance is sought on what the engagement process should be
- Could have a presentation to major service clubs and get their opinion
- Would like people to provide constructive comments in the engagement process
- Possibly could lead with residents wanting all services but not wanting to pay

## 7. General Business

- Items Committee members wish to raise
  - How many meetings to finalise this project?

JM – aim is to have something to go to community at the next meeting, then perhaps 2 meetings after that.

8. Next meeting
  - a. Date - 6 March
  - b. Main agenda items
    - Public form of Options Paper
    - Engagement Process

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