

# Waste Management Policy 2019

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#### ADDENDUM TO WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY 2019

At the Ordinary Council meeting on 10 December 2019, Council adopted the Towards Zero Waste Strategy and Action Plan.

In adopting this strategy Council resolved to revise the final version of the strategy and all supporting action plans to reflect a policy of zero waste to landfill by 2040.

The purpose of this addendum is to align the Waste Management Policy with the Towards Zero Waste Strategy.

Therefore, all target dates in relation to Zero Waste to landfill in this policy should be read in conjunction with the Towards Zero Waste Strategy and Action Plan.

### 1. Purpose

The following Waste Management Policy establishes a framework to manage waste and resource recovery across all aspects of the waste lifecycle, adopting a circular economy approach to maintain the value of resources for as long as possible.

The policy will guide Council waste provisions and services within the municipal district of Maribyrnong.

## Council has a vision to become a city that generates minimal waste and considers that waste as a valuable resource to be managed sustainably.

Council have established aspirational targets to achieve a waste diversion rate of 60% by 2030 and move toward zero waste to landfill by 2040<sup>1</sup>.

As such, this policy adopts the principles of the EPA waste management hierarchy that maximises waste avoidance and reuse before recycling, with recycling and recovery prioritised before disposal to landfill.

### 2. Scope

This Policy covers the provision and level of service as applied to eligible rate-paying residential and commercial properties. The following non-rateable properties are also included; Sporting Clubs, Schools (Foundation to Year 12), Council facilities and Rooming Houses.

To meet the above objectives and maximise waste diversion and resource recovery across the city, the proceeding sections outline Council's commitment to waste management for the wider Maribyrnong community.

#### 5.1 Service Provision

Within the context of this policy, 'service provision' refers to the dispensation of waste management and resource recovery services across the Maribyrnong municipality. In general, these services comprise of:

- Kerbside service for collection of municipal general waste, recycling, organic waste (user pays service) and hard waste to all rateable residential properties.
- A recycling and general waste service to all eligible rateable commercial properties.
- Provision and maintenance of waste and recycling receptacles for public areas and parks
- Litter traps to prevent plastic and litter from entering waterways within the municipal area.
- Access to unique waste stream recycling programs and hubs located across the municipality (i.e. electrical waste, charity items, 'Detox Your Home', subsidised home composting, etc.).
- Public education and engagement through the use of resources, funded programs, public signage, events and workshops, brochures and other educational materials.

A summary of Council's current waste management levels of service is provided in Appendix B.

#### 5.2 Service Eligibility

All rateable properties are eligible for Council waste and recycling services. In general, these services are available for the following development types and uses:

- Residential Single and Multi-Unit dwellings
- Commercial Small Business
- Non-Rateable Properties Schools / Sporting Clubs / Council Buildings / Rooming Houses (subject to conditions as detailed in Appendix B).

Access to these services are subject to conditions which may vary for commercial businesses and non-rateable properties. Refer to Council Provision of Waste Management Services for further information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Target amended to align with Towards Zero Waste Strategy. See Addendum for further information.

#### 5.3 Service Application

This policy is applied when Council staff are allocating waste and recycling services to ratepayers and the community.

#### 5.4 Changing conditions

Where an item or provision of service for waste and recycling falls outside the scope of this policy, a formal application for request for change can be made to the CEO or delegate of the organisation.

#### 3. Responsibilities

The Waste Management Policy 2019 is the responsibility of the Strategic Asset Management team within the Infrastructure Services Directorate. The implementation and adherence to the Policy is primarily the responsibility of the Waste Management team, however this Policy has implications across all Council operations.

### 4. Policy Objectives

The objectives of this policy are to:

- 1. Comply with the intent of the applicable Commonwealth and State environment legislation, regulations, standards, policies and initiatives.
- Maintain a safe, transparent, affordable and sustainable approach to all Council waste management and resource recovery services and provide a consistent level of service to ratepayers and eligible properties (See Appendix B).
- 3. Ensure Council provide innovative solutions and strive for best practice waste and recycling services to process all types of waste generated across the municipality.
- 4. Keep pace with emerging technologies and actively participate with peak industry bodies, operators and organisations to advocate an improved and competitive waste and resource recovery industry.
- 5. Increase recycling and recovery rates, and reduce contamination across the municipal waste stream.
- 6. Reduce the amount of litter, illegal dumping, and stormwater pollution across Council.
- 7. Prioritise waste avoidance by reducing the consumption of goods and packaging.
- 8. Communicate with and educate our community about effective ways to reduce, reuse and recycle waste whether at home, work or play.
- 9. Continue to monitor, collate and report quality waste and recycling data across the municipality.
- 10. Adopt greater use of recycled materials and resources across all aspects of procurement.
- 11. Protect public health and minimise the environmental impacts associated with waste management services.

### 5. Key Stakeholders

This Policy was developed by the Environmental Services team in consultation with Waste Management. The Policy applies to all rateable properties across Council, and also has implications for internal Council operations, particularly relating to procurement and city design.

### 6. Related Legislation

This Policy aligns with and supports the strategic directions of the following Federal, State and Local Government plans, policies and regulations.

- Getting Full Value: the Victorian Waste Policy
- Sustainability Victoria's State-wide Waste and Resource Recovery Infrastructure Plan
- Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning's Recycling Industry Strategic Plan
- Melbourne Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group Strategies & Policy Direction
- Local Government Act 1989

### 7. Related Documents

The Waste Management Policy is a strategic policy, which informs and shall be read in conjunction with the following Council waste documentation:

- Towards Zero Waste Strategy and Action Plan 2019.
- Provision of Waste Management Services.
- Waste Management Planning Guidelines for Residential and Commercial Developments.

#### 8. Review of Policy

It is the responsibility of the organisation for ongoing review of this policy and related documentation.

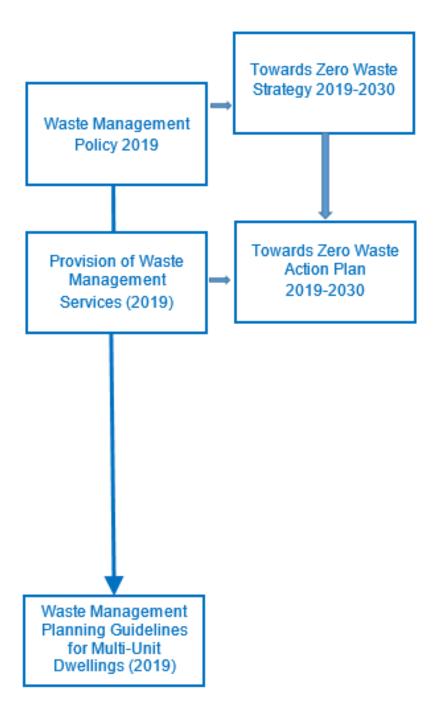
Length of relevance:4 yearsResponsible Department:Infrastructure Services

#### Appendix A – Document Hierarchy and Responsibility

Maribyrnong City Council is responsible for the ongoing accountability and review of the policy framework and related documentation.

The following documents are the responsibility of the Infrastructure Services Department and shall be reviewed 4 years from the date of adoption.

#### Figure 1 Waste Management Policy Hierarchy & Responsibility



### Appendix B – Provision of waste management services

The following table provides a summary of the waste management service entitlements for different property/development types within the municipality of Maribyrnong. Requests for additional bins per stream on top of the service entitlement are not encouraged. Additional bins will be provided at cost on a case-by-case basis only.

#### Table 1. Waste Service Entitlements

	Waste Stream Service Entitlement			
<u>Property /</u> <u>Development</u> <u>Type</u>	General Waste (Garbage) Collection	Commingled Recycling Collection	Green (Garden) Waste Collection (Optional User Pays Service)	Booked Hard Waste & Green (Garden) Waste Collection
	1x 120L bin	1x 240L bin	Optional 1x 240L OR 1x 120L bin	2m3 Hard Waste + 4m3 Green Waste
	Weekly Collection	Fortnightly Collection	Fortnightly Collection	1x Free Annual Collection
Single				Fee for Additional Collections
Detached Houses				
	1x 120L bin per dwelling	1x 240L bin per dwelling	Optional 1x 240L OR 1x 120L bin per	2m3 Hard Waste + 4m3 Green Waste per
	Weekly Collection	Fortnightly Collection	dwelling	dwelling
			Fortnightly Collection	1x Free Annual Collection
Multi-Unit				Fee for Additional Collections
Dwellings				
1-4 Dwellings				+

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Multi-Unit Dwellings 5-9 Dwellings	1x 240L Bin shared between 2 Dwellings Weekly Collection	1x 240L bin shared between 2 Dwellings Fortnightly Collection	Optional 120L <u>OR</u> 240L bins as requested by building management. Fortnightly Collection	2m <sup>3</sup> Hard Waste + 4m <sup>3</sup> Green Waste per dwelling 1x Free Annual Collection Fee for Additional Collections +
Multi-Unit Dwellings 10 or more Dwellings*	Shared 1100L bins as appropriate Weekly Collection	Shared 1100L bins as appropriate Weekly Collection	Optional 120L or 240L bins as requested by building management Fortnightly Collection	Minimum 6m <sup>3</sup> shared hard waste area Monthly collection coordinated with Council by building management as per approved Waste Management Plan

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	General Waste (Garbage) Collection	Commingled Recycling Collection	Green (Garden) Waste Collection (Optional User Pays Service)	Booked Hard Waste & Green (Garden) Waste Collection
Commercial Small Business	1x 240L bin Weekly Collection	1x 240L bin Fortnightly Collection	Service not available	Service not available

\*660L bins will be considered for multi-unit residential developments with 10 or more dwellings where 1100L bins are not safe or fit for purpose on a case by case basis.

Property / Development	Waste Stream Service Entitlement			
<u>Type</u>	General Waste	Commingled Recycling	Green (Garden) Waste Collection	Booked Hard Waste & Green
	(Garbage) Collection	Collection	(Optional User Pays Service)	(Garden) Waste Collection
Sporting Facilities	2x 240L bins	3x 240L bins	Optional 1x 240L OR 1x 120L bin	Service not available
Small	Weekly Collection	Fortnightly Collection	Fortnightly Collection	
<ol> <li>sports ground on-site;</li> <li>Single club tenant;</li> <li>or less teams</li> </ol>				

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Property / Development <u>Type</u>	General Waste (Garbage) Collection	Commingled Recycling Collection	Green (Garden) Waste Collection (Optional User Pays Service)	Booked Hard Waste & Green (Garden) Waste Collection	
Sporting Facilities Medium 1 sport ground on-site; Single club tenant; Tenant has 3-5 teams	3x 240L bins Weekly Collection	4x 240L bins Fortnightly Collection	Optional 1x 240L OR 1x 120L bin Fortnightly Collection	Service not available	
Sporting Facilities Large More than 1 sports ground on-site; Multiple club tenancy; More than 5 teams	4x 240L bins Weekly Collection	6x 240L bins Fortnightly Collection	Optional 1x 240L OR 1x 120L bin Fortnightly Collection	·	
Kindergartens & Schools inclusive of Prep-Yr12 (Public & Private)	Service not available	1x 240L bin per 60 students <u>OR</u> equivalent capacity in 1100L bins Weekly Collection	Optional 1x 240L OR 1x 120L bin Fortnightly Collection	Service not available	