

**WS005: REVIEW OF STRATEGIC WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**Proponent** : City of Albany  
**Owner** : City of Albany  
**Attachments** : Draft Strategic Waste Management Plan  
**Councillor Workstation** : Nil  
**Responsible Officer(s)** : Executive Director Works and Services (M Thomson)

**Responsible Officer Signature**



**STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

1. This item directly relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Community Plan 2013 and Corporate Business Plan 2013-2017:
  - a. **Key Theme:** 2. Clean, Green and Sustainable
  - b. **Strategic Objectives:** 2.3 To advocate for and support “green” initiatives within our region
  - c. **Strategic Initiative:** 2.3.1 Waste Management

**In Brief:**

- Adoption of the revised Strategic Waste Management Plan to provide the City a further five years direction in waste management and to continue its alignment with Western Australia’s Zero Waste Plan Development Scheme.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**WS005: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**  
**VOTING REQUIREMENT:ABSOLUTE MAJORITY**

**THAT Council ADOPT the revised City of Albany Strategic Waste Management Plan (as detailed in the attachment) in accordance with Section 5.56(1) and (2) of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 (as amended).**

**WS005: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.**

**CARRIED 5-0**

WS005: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR GREGSON  
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR DOWLING

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CARRIED 5-0

**BACKGROUND**

2. The City of Albany adopted its first Strategic Waste Management Plan in July 2002 which guided its waste activities towards significant improvements in waste minimisation and recycling.
3. In May 2004 a revised Strategic Waste Management Plan was adopted by Council which brought about major changes in waste operations which include the closure of uncontrolled landfill sites, the introduction of a three bin domestic kerbside system, the processing of greenwaste and education program for schools.
4. The Strategic Waste Management Plan received further review in 2009 where it was aligned with the Waste Management Board of Western Australia's Zero Waste Plan Development Scheme. This plan is the City's current document and it has now entered its review period.

**DISCUSSION**

5. The 2013 Strategic Waste Management Plan analyses the City's current operations and develops action plans to improve the service and reduce waste to landfill over the next 5 years.
6. The Plans scope continues its alignment with the Waste Management Board of Western Australia's Zero Waste Plan Development Scheme but also recognises the end of tenure of the City's waste minimisation contract and the imminent requirement for new waste treatment facilities.
7. The key action areas also identify infrastructure and operational upgrades that are required to provide a consistent improvement in the City's waste minimisation practices.
8. The Strategic Waste Management Plan is a document that will provide guidance to achieve objectives, targets and plans as well as providing for greater opportunity to apply for grant funding of waste initiatives.

**GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

9. The Department of Environment and Regulation (DER) were invited to provide comment on the plan and their feedback has been included in the document. The DER is the statutory regulator of the waste industry and is the major stakeholder in local government waste practice.

10. Most of the key action areas identified in the plan are of an operational nature not requiring public consultation. However several of the waste initiatives that have been identified will require consultation and this will be undertaken in line with the City's Community Engagement process to ensure all key stakeholder feedback is received.

### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

11. Section 19DA of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* has been amended to require each local government to integrate community aspirations and desired outcomes with community planning, services, assets and land-use to develop achievable operational plans, services and issue-specific strategies.

### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

12. The adoption of this strategy will replace the Strategic Waste Management Plan adopted 21 April 2009.

### RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION

13. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Risk Management Framework.

Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Analysis	Mitigation
<i>Council does not adopt the Strategic Waste Management Plan</i>	<i>Unlikely</i>	<i>Moderate</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Waste practices managed on a reactive basis.</i>
<i>Unforecasted factors may cause some key actions identified in the plan to be irrelevant or unachievable.</i>	<i>Unlikely</i>	<i>Minor</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Review impact of not delivering actions to determine whether alternative measures are required</i>

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

14. The costs associated with implementing the Key Actions of the Strategic Waste Management Plan will be incorporated into the Waste operational costs and capital works program during the life of the plan. These costs will need to be passed by council on an annual basis as part of the normal budgetary process.

### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

15. Not applicable.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

16. The Strategic Waste Management Plan is aligned with the Waste Management Board of Western Australia's Zero Waste Plan Development Scheme with an aim to continuously reduce the impact of waste disposal on the environment to the year 2020.
17. The City's waste services are licenced and monitored by the Department of Environment Regulation under the Environmental protection Act 1986.

**ALTERNATE OPTIONS**

18. Council may decline to adopt the Strategic Waste Management Plan.

**SUMMARY CONCLUSION**

19. The 2013 Strategic Waste Management Plan provides the City direction in its future waste management practices by analysing its current operations, developing action plans to improve the service and reducing waste to landfill over the next 5 years.
20. The plan aligns with Waste Management Board policy and provides for greater opportunity to apply for grant funding.

<b>Consulted References</b>	:	Not Applicable
<b>File Number (Name of Ward)</b>	:	All Wards
<b>Previous Reference</b>	:	OCM 21/04/2009 Item 13.1.1