WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY PROGRESS REPORT - YEAR 1

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1.3	Increase the capacity of the Resource Recovery Centre to divert waste from landfill. Provide assistance, facilities, and work together with the site operator to recover as much material as possible, including C&D wastes	Gravel areas adjoining existing asphalt have been sealed and extended the usable space for placement of recycling facilities
1.6	Support the establishment of, and be represented on an adequately resourced Regional Waste Authority	Manager Cleansing & Waste is an active member of Waste Strategy South (WSS)
2.2	Conduct a full cost accounting study of the landfill to review the pricing for current operations and long-term financial liabilities, including post closure requirements	Landfill cost model (\$ per tonne) prepared by consultant MRA. Able to be updated by officers to calculate annual landfill gate fees
3.4	Appoint a Waste Education Officer	Officer appointed October 2016
3.12	Develop a Good Neighbour Agreement with the South Hobart Community	Adopted by the Council, first meeting to be held June 13th at the Waste Management Centre
3.14	Implement branding across the City's waste services & infrastructure	Kerbside services complete with 'Sort it out before you put it out' message & imagery
3.15	Promote achievements in relation to waste minimisation programs implemented	Several articles in Cap City News, Facebook posts etc.
4.1	Implement a fortnightly garden waste kerbside collection service, to appropriate tenements (funded through rates)	Service commenced May 2016
4.3	Encourage and support existing and new community gardens and at home composting programs	Home composting program commenced (Good Life Permaculture) including public workshops and artworks at Mathers Place
4.4	Investigate commercial food organics diversion, and identify alternative sites and technologies for organics processing (either regional or stand alone City facility)	Draft report received
5.2	Continue to refine the public bin program, including locations, sizes, and collection frequencies, and increasing the number of recycling bins	Bin roll-out continuing as scheduled, over 170 new style bins implemented so far
5.6	Monitor the quality and appearance of waterways through regular testing and litter reduction measures	Quarterly monitoring being undertaken, 2017/18 monitoring program scheduled & ordered (GHD)
6.3	Implement programs to increase concrete recycling	New contract awarded for recycling of concrete
7.1	Secure approvals to operate a general waste landfill to 2030	New permit acquired, and Planning approval received
8.1	Implement effective cardboard and paper recycling programs at the Waste Management Centre	Cardboard recycling options available to public free of charge at the Waste Management Centre
8.3	Provide an annual Waste Reduction Grants Program, to fund public waste reduction initiatives and projects	2016 Waste Reduction Grants provided to 4 organisations. 2017 grants released May 2017, close June 13th
8.13	Support regional, state, and national waste reduction and education programs such as the garage sale trail	City supported the 2016 Garage Sale Trail
8.19	Continue to separate steel from the waste stream for recycling	Steel collection was on hold due to low prices. Offer of \$30 per tonne accepted Feb 2017
8.20	Conduct regular audits of waste to landfill, and kerbside waste and recycling composition	Audit of waste from the Taste of Tasmania. Audit of waste at unit developments
8.22	Improve tyre recycling programs and work to identify viable recycling options.	Tyres now delivered to Barwicks for recycling
ADVOCACY, REPORTING, & SUPPORTING		
1.1	Advocate to the State Government for a state based waste levy	Submissions to the State Government on their new waste strategy included recommendations to adopt a landfill levy
1.5	Advocate to State Government to support a state wide Container Deposit System (CDS)	Written correspondence to the Minister for Environment detailing the City's support for a CDS
1.11	Advocate to the State Government for the establishment of state waste reduction targets.	Worked with Waste Strategy South & LGAT on reviews and submissions to the State Government on their new waste strategy
1.16	Adequately Plan and fund post closure requirements, and work in accordance with the Landfill Sustainability Guidelines, the sites	Development Proposal & Environment Management Plan (DPEMP) completed & approved by EPA. Planning Approval
2.1	Set fees & charges (annually) to encourage waste avoidance and investment in commercial recycling programs	Budget estimates undertaken Feb 2017
3.2	Support the development of regional recycling education strategies and programs	Worked with Waste Strategy South & LGAT on reviews and submissions to the State Government on their new waste strategy
3.11	Progressively report to Council to seek funds to implement the strategy	Budget Program completed
3.8	Promote and support community reuse programs such as the Art From Trash Annual exhibition	Supported 2017 Art From Trash event through sponsorship and Deputy Lord Mayor Launching the exhibition
3.7	Encourage and support School recycling and waste diversion programs and projects	Supporting St Marys school through the recycling grants program