



CITY OF HOBART

MINUTES ATTACHMENTS

THE HOBART WORKSHOP COMMITTEE MEETING

OPEN PORTION OF THE MEETING

MONDAY, 20 APRIL 2026

AT 4.00PM

VENUE: LADY OSBORNE ROOM

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Waste Management Strategy Implementation Plan Progress Update

Hobart Workshop Committee 20th April
2026

TOWARDS
ZERO
WASTE
TO LANDFILL



Update on Waste Strategy Implementation Plan

- ▶ The Council reset the target from ZERO WASTE TO LANDFILL BY 2030 to an 85% reduction, irrespective of the landfill destination of the waste.
- ▶ The 2025 Waste Management Strategy is manifested to an Implementation Plan, with 5 Focus Areas:
 - ▶ McRobies Gully Transition Program
 - ▶ System & Service Optimisation
 - ▶ Governance, Funding and Advocacy
 - ▶ Waste Avoidance & Behaviour
 - ▶ Recycling & Market Development





McRobies Gully Transition Program

Planning for phased closure of McRobies Gully landfill by 30 June 2030.

We have two separable residual waste streams to manage:

- i) Diversion of commercial and bulk waste
 - Completed a Landfill Options Analysis
- ii) Sorting and diversion of non-commercial waste (households, small loads)
 - Upgraded repair, reuse and recycling centre

Site rehabilitation

Other land use options (e.g. energy, nursery)

Continued Landfill gas and emissions reduction investigations

McRobies Gully Transition

- ▶ Transfer station
- ▶ Reuse, repair and recycling sorting shed
- ▶ Nursery
- ▶ Solar
- ▶ Gas emissions infrastructure
- ▶ Organics
- ▶ Circularity / Education hub
- ▶ Retail space

Our vision for the future of McRobies Gully is to make it positive visual experience and the layout to provide a seamless drop-off of material.











Waste Management Options Analysis

Material	Tonnage 24/25	Project
Clean fill	61,000	Looking for using for internal projects.
Waste - disposal	17,500 (14,500+2900)	Technical investigation.
Green waste from McRobies and organics food	4,500	Looking at a commercial outlet.
Recycling / Reuse / Circularity / Sorting hub	2,900	Assessing costs and effectiveness of recycling
C&D recycling	Approx 20%-30% residual waste	Reviewing circularity and recycling opportunities
Kerbside FOGO	4,500	Investigating a FOGO site.

- ▶ Landfill Options Analysis completed by GHD
- ▶ Currently modelling the financial considerations for the highest scoring options
- ▶ The analysis and modelling of these options will be presented to the Council for consideration in the next few months

System & Service Optimisation

- ▶ EPA compliance, including Monitoring, Management and Fire plans.
- ▶ Improved emergency preparedness at McRobies (winds, flood, fire)
- ▶ Improvements to ground and surface water quality monitoring
- ▶ New data systems for in-house waste stream tracking, bin maintenance tracking, and financial monitoring of recyclates.
- ▶ New Capping Monitoring Plan (as part of landfill rehab)
- ▶ Landfill gas, measured and modelled with field investigations
- ▶ Waste Collections route analysis (ongoing), and collections compliance enforcement.
- ▶ Community concerns and compliments reporting system.





Governance, Funding & Advocacy

- ▶ Southern Regional Waste Infrastructure Plan
 - ▶ Review of Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).
 - ▶ Southern Tas Organics Working Group
 - ▶ Grants: \$50,000 “Data Ready” and \$30,000 “Paddock to Plate to Paddock” for hospitality food waste circularity education.
 - ▶ Soft Plastics drop-off trial -> MEL
 - ▶ Our main focus right now is future McRobies functions options
- But, in collaboration with other councils, we plan to add
- ▶ community waste avoidance education



Waste Avoidance & Behaviour Change

- ▶ ReTh!nk Waste is a statewide broad sustainability education program targeted at schools. It is not regional or LGA-specific, as anticipated.
- ▶ If we want to get to zero waste, we need major support to deliver a community wide education experience to reduce waste to landfill FOR HOBART.
- ▶ Organics out of general waste (food scraps) - 50% contamination
- ▶ We have ramped up our South Hobart community engagement via the Good Neighbour Agreement.
- ▶ Current participation in Flammable Five industry led state-funded education campaign (\$200,000....independent of ReTh!nk waste)

Recycling & Market Development

Material	Cost (\$/t)	Annual costs (\$)
Globes	5,545	2,309
Gas Bottles	1,935	6,580
E-Waste	557	3,776
Motor oil	1,100	6,655
Concrete /Glass	22.9	36,586

Next Steps

- Very soon, we need to decide on which waste management options will provide the best outcome for Hobart residents now and into the future
- Planning and decisions around functional options for McRobies including the sorting of smaller-loads of material and resulting waste diversion.
- Explore the best the best model for a resource and recovery centre re: “tip shop”
- Accelerated advocacy on i) regional organics processing and ii) construction and demolition waste processing.
- Funding for i) infrastructure upgrades at McRobies and ii) community waste avoidance comms/programs.