AGENDA FOR A MEETING OF THE WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM AT THE MANNUM COUNCIL OFFICE,
49 ADELAIDE ROAD, MANNUM, ON THURSDAY 24 MAY 2018,
COMMENCING AT 1-00 P M

1. PRESENT

Cr P J Raison, Chairperson
Mayor D J Burgess
Cr J W Hall
Cr B J Taylor
Cr S P Wilkinson

2. IN ATTENDANCE

Mr R Peate, Chief Executive Officer,
Mr D Hassett, Acting Director Infrastructure Services
Mr N Cook, Waste Management Coordinator,
Mrs T Lawes, Infrastructure Services Support Officer (Minute Secretary).

3. COMMENCEMENT AND WELCOME

4. APOLOGIES

No apologies have been received

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

(Pages 356-363 and Confidential Minutes Pages 53-73)

moved that the Minutes of the Mid Murray Council Waste Management
Advisory Committee meeting held on 26 April 2018 be taken as read and confirmed.
Seconded

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

7. BUSINESS
8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

8.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT

Cr moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr

8.1.1 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM - FUTURE LEVELS OF SERVICE – BAROSSA REGIONAL PROCUREMENT GROUP (BRPG) – WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES TENDER

Confidential item pursuant to Section 90 –

90(3)(b) – information the disclosure of which -

(i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and
(ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;

Time: P M
Cr moved that

(1) Under the provision of Section 90 (3)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that with the exception of Mr R Peate, Mr David Hassett, Mr Neil Cook, and Mrs Tracey Lawes, all other persons present and the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to receive a report and to consider matters under Section 90(3)(d).

(2) The Mid Murray Council Waste Management Advisory Committee is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(d)(i) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the agenda item may be commercial information of a confidential nature to confer a commercial advantage on a third party.

(3) Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of Mid Murray Council Waste Management Advisory Committee should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the discussion confidential because the information to be disclosed and discussed has the potential to prejudice the commercial position of the Council.

Seconded Cr
8.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

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P M
Cr moved that pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Mid Murray Council Waste Management Advisory Committee orders that Confidential Minutes Pages of the meeting held 26 April 2018, the Infrastructure Services Report item 8.2.1 (Confidential Item – Future Levels Of Service – Barossa Regional Procurement Group (BRPG) – Waste Collection Services Tender) and attachments and all discussions relating to the matter which was considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(d), remain confidential and not available for public inspection until the Waste Management Services Contract is ratified.

Seconded Cr

David Hassett
ACTING DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES
9. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Cr moved that the correspondence be received.
Seconded Cr

9.1 **Wall Flat Request via Cr Kuhn**

Being email correspondence requesting 2 extra bins for use at the Campground over bus periods (e.g. Easter, Christmas, Long Weekends etc.)

A copy of the email had been provided to all members.
Refer Appendix 9.1

9.2 **LGA Media Release - $8.8 million impact of China’s National Sword**

Being a copy of an LGA Media Release, 17 May 2018 regarding al LGA-commission market analysis report on the impact of China’s National Sword policy on SA’s recycling sector and the flow on effects to SA Councils and their ratepayers.

A copy of the Media Release had been provided to all members.
Refer Appendix 9.2

9.3 **LGA Circular 17.3 – Waste Pathways Workshop “Beyond China Sword”**

Being a copy of the call for registration for the Workshop dated 26 April 2018.

A copy of the Circular had been provided to all members.
Refer Appendix 9.3

9.4 **LGA Report – Governments agree to 100% recyclable packaging by 2025**

Being a copy of the report dates April 28,2018 regarding joint Government agreements to a target that 100% of Australian packaging be recyclable, compostable or reusable by 2025 or earlier.

A copy of the Report had been provided to all members.
Refer Appendix 9.4

9.5 **LGA Circular 20.5 – Recycling Industry Support Package**

Being a copy of the Circular dated 17 May 2018. On 12 May 2018, the Marshall Liberal Government announced a $12.4 million support package for the recycling industry in response to China’s National Sword Policy. Regional councils should be aware that transport subsidies are available to help with transport costs for recyclable materials.

A copy of the Circular had been provided to all members.
Refer Appendix 9.5

10. **OTHER BUSINESS**

11. **NEXT MEETING – TBC**

12. **CLOSURE**

P M The Chairperson declared the meeting closed.
From: Neil Cook
Sent: Wednesday, 16 May 2018 4:04 PM
To: Tracey Lawes
Subject: FW: Wall Flat 2 x Extra Bins for Holiday Season

From: Neil Cook
Sent: Thursday, 3 May 2018 8:52 AM
To: Cr Kelly Kuhn
Subject: RE: Wall Flat 2 x Extra Bins for Holiday Season

No worries Kelly, I understand and will table the request.

Cheers

Cookie

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From: Cr Kelly Kuhn
Sent: Thursday, 3 May 2018 7:15 AM
To: Neil Cook
Subject: RE: Wall Flat 2 x Extra Bins for Holiday Season

Hi Cookie
At the Wall Flat Meeting, there were a number of other items that came up requiring attention (concrete pathway from building to toilets, damaged road signage etc)
The committee aren’t an incorporated body and like any other voluntary group are stretched with volunteers doing the work (although there were plenty of them at the meeting)
They commented to me that normally they have asked their Elected Member who has passed on the information, rather than having to write letters.
If it’s truly required, I will ask them for a formal request – if not, please table my email at your meeting.
Thanks Cookie
Kel
From: Neil Cook  
Sent: Monday, 30 April 2018 9:49 AM  
To: Cr Kelly Kuhn <crkkuhn@mid-murray.sa.gov.au>  
Subject: RE: Wall Flat 2 x Extra Bins for Holiday Season

Hi Kelly

Is it possible to get a formal request from the committee with their proposal? The request can then be tabled at the next waste management advisory committee meeting.

Cheers

Cookie

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From: Cr Kelly Kuhn  
Sent: Friday, 27 April 2018 8:55 AM  
To: Neil Cook  
Subject: Wall Flat 2 x Extra Bins for Holiday Season

Morning Neil

At the Wall Flat Hall meeting Tuesday night the bins filling at the campground over Easter was discussed.

The committee wish to request 2 extra bins from Council to be stored at a committee members house, and only to be available for use at the Campground over busy periods, ie Easter, Christmas, long weekends.

Please advise if this is appropriate and how and when this can be delivered.

Much appreciated

Kelly
$8.8 million impact of China's National Sword

7 May 2018

An LGA-commissioned market analysis report has identified that the impact of China's National Sword policy on SA's recycling sector could be as high as $8.8 million per year, with the likelihood that most of these increased costs will be passed on to SA councils and their ratepayers.

This figure is based on a $63 per tonne increase in the cost of processing recycled materials, with South Australian councils collecting 140,000 tonnes of kerbside commingled recyclables each year.

LGA President said this new market analysis report highlighted the severity of the issue, and the need for State Government intervention.

"The primary concern of the local government sector is to ensure the ongoing sustainability of the recycling industry in South Australia – and preserve the community’s trust and faith in the recycling process – through this time of transition," Mayor Rosenberg said.

"In the medium to long term, we need strong action from the State Government to support a local reprocessing and remanufacturing industry being established here in South Australia that will ensure the long-term viability of the system.”

"In the meantime, the best way to equitably assist councils to continue providing cost-effective waste management services to their communities is through a freeze on any further increases to the Solid Waste Levy.”

"This levy is scheduled to increase from $87 per tonne to $100 in metro areas on 1 July, and the Government should not be imposing increased levy rates on councils at a time when they are already facing increased costs due to market forces beyond their control.”

A freeze to the Solid Waste Levy would save South Australian councils and their ratepayers $4.5 million in 2018-19.

Mayor Rosenberg said councils and other members of the waste management sector who have been disadvantaged by China’s National Sword policy should also have the opportunity to apply for funding from the Green Industry Fund to help manage increased costs.

"There is currently around $100 million sitting in this fund, and similar to the approach taken interstate, grant funding should be provided to councils and other members of the waste sector following submission of a business case that demonstrates the support required to maintain positive recycling outcomes," Mayor Rosenberg said.

"Our market analysis report shows that for councils transporting recyclables more than 360km it is cheaper to send this material to landfill than process it; so to protect recycling in these areas special consideration needs to be given to regional councils seeking funding support.”
Waste Pathways Workshop “Beyond China Sword” – call for registrations - Circular 17.3

To
Chief Executive Officer
Economic Development and Tourism Staff
Elected Members
Environment Staff
Policy and Strategic Planning Staff
Procurement Staff
Recycling - Waste Management
Sustainability Officers

Date
26 April 2018

Contact
Emily Heywood-Smith
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Response Required
Yes

Respond By
31 May 2018

Summary
The LGA, in conjunction with Green Industries SA, will be hosting a Waste Pathways Workshop on 5 June 2018 to explore the implications of China’s Revised Waste Import Policy on the recycling industry in SA and to discuss how the local government sector can be part of the solution. The workshop will be used to gain support for one or more key projects to be progressed in the following 12-24 months.

The LGA Waste Pathways Workshop “Beyond China Sword” will be held on Tuesday, 5 June 2018 at the Adelaide Pavilion from 9am to 5pm. We are pleased to advise that the Hon. David Speirs MP, Minister for Environment and Water, will be opening the workshop and providing valuable insights into the State Government’s view of the opportunities for South Australia arising out of these developments.

Over the last 10 years, South Australia has taken significant steps towards reducing the amount of waste disposed to landfill and arguably leads the nation in waste management practices. It is vital that South Australia’s recycling activities continue in a sustainable and cost-effective manner.

The Australian recycling industry has been under threat since the Chinese Government adopted its China Sword policy which dramatically increased the standard of recyclables it will accept as imports. China no longer accepts the types of products that Australia can viably produce for export and the waste industry can no longer rely on China as a destination for its recyclable materials.

The impacts of the China Sword policy present a once-in-a-generation opportunity to re-shape South Australia’s recycling industry by developing local markets for recyclable materials and establishing a truly circular economy. The workshop will explore the implications of the China Sword policy on the waste management hierarchy and discuss the opportunities that it presents for South Australia.

The LGA is seeking registrations for the event and both elected members and council staff are encouraged to register early as there are limited places available at this event. To register, visit https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/page.aspx?u=7240

To enquire or to discuss the workshop further, please contact Emily Heywood-Smith, Senior Policy Officer, Local Government Association, on ph: 8224 2033 or email: Emily.heywood-smith@lga.sa.gov.au
Governments agree to 100% recyclable packaging by 2025

April 28, 2018

Commonwealth, state and territory environment ministers have agreed to a target that 100 per cent of Australian packaging be recyclable, compostable or reusable by 2025 or earlier to cut down on the amount of waste we produce.

The 100 per cent target, in response to the China Ban issue, will be delivered by the Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation (APCO), working with its 950 member companies.

Brooke Donnelly, CEO of APCO, said the organisation would support more innovative packaging design, enhance consumer education, as well as bolster the re-use and the incorporation of recycled content within end markets.

Commonwealth, state and territory governments will examine opportunities to further develop the nation’s recycling industry to process the four per cent of recyclable waste that would have previously gone to China.

To increase demand for recyclable waste, Ministers agreed to advocate, where appropriate, to increase the recyclable materials in goods purchased by governments, such as paper, road base and construction materials.

Following the success of television, computer, tyre and oil product stewardship schemes, Ministers also agreed to fast-track the development of new product stewardship schemes for photovoltaic solar panels and batteries.

Ministers have brought forward the review of Australia's National Waste Policy to be completed within a year. This will ensure that governments are taking the most appropriate and timely actions to support a sustainable recycling industry.

In addition, the Turnbull Government has asked the Clean Energy Finance Corporation and Australian Renewable Energy Agency to prioritise ‘waste-to-energy’ projects, building on the $200 million already invested in this area.

Generating energy from waste that is unable to be recycled is common in other countries, particularly in Europe.
Recycling industry support package - Circular 20.5

To
Chief Executive Officer
Economic Development and Tourism Staff
Elected Members
Environment Staff
Policy and Strategic Planning Staff
Procurement Staff
Recycling - Waste Management
Sustainability Officers

Date
17 May 2018

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Response Required
Yes

Respond By
30 September 2018

Summary
On 12 May 2018, the Marshall Liberal Government announced a $12.4 million support package for the recycling industry in response to China’s National Sword Policy. Regional councils should be aware that transport subsidies are available to help with transport costs for recyclable materials.

The State Government’s support package for responding to changes in China’s Waste and Recycling Policy (National Sword) is made up of:

- $5.8 million for infrastructure grants for local government and industry to maintain and build the capacity of South Australia’s recycling systems and reprocessing infrastructure specifically targeting infrastructure for post-consumer paper, cardboard, glass and plastics;
- a $5 million loan scheme to support projects with large capital requirements, which can have an immediate effect to increase local remanufacturing/reprocessing of targeted waste streams and job creation opportunities;
- $500,000 for transport subsidies recognising the barrier of high transport costs for recycling in regional areas;
- $300,000 for market development grants to stimulate an increase in the quality and market demand for recyclable materials and recycled content products; and
- $800,000 for a state-wide recycling education campaign.

Please note applications for the:

- recycling Infrastructure Grants for industry and local government close 22 June 2018 at 5pm
- loan scheme for local government and industry are now open
- transport subsidies for regional councils close 30 September 2018 at 5pm.

Guidelines on eligibility and how to access the new funding is available at http://www.greenindustries.sa.gov.au/funding.

If you have any queries regarding the programs, please contact Emily Heywood-Smith, Senior Policy Officer, on 8224 2033 or emily.heywoodsmith@lga.sa.gov.au.
Funding

Loan Scheme

Recycling Infrastructure Grants

Recycling Market Development Grants

Transport Subsidies

Business Sustainability Funding

Trade Waste Initiative

Projects funded by Green Industries SA

Funding from Green Industries SA

Green Industries SA provides funding to unlock the potential of the Circular Economy, develop infrastructure to process and create new products from wastes, seed funding for new technologies, and the commercialisation of research in South Australia. Funding from Green Industries SA is targeted to help businesses, industry and government to understand, develop and implement cost saving waste management, resource efficiency and lean production measures will improve their productivity and environmental performance through reducing waste materials, trade waste, energy and water use.

Support for responding to changes in China’s Waste and Recycling Policy (National Sword)

Green Industries SA’s response package includes a range of measures to enable industry investment in remanufacturing, local re-use, and improved sorting and processing of recovered materials. This includes:

- Recycling Infrastructure Grants - Industry & Local Government


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- Infrastructure Investment Loan Scheme
- Transport subsidies for Regional Councils

**Recycling Infrastructure Grants**

The Recycling Infrastructure Grants Program assists companies, local authorities and organisations both metropolitan and regional, to install infrastructure and provide innovative approaches to increase the recovery of resources and reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill each year and to address the impact of China’s National Sword Policy. The program encourages applications for infrastructure projects that will contribute to achieving these aims and include economic, environmental and social benefits. Find out more

**Infrastructure Investment Loan Scheme**

The loan scheme supports projects with large capital requirements, which can have an immediate effect to increase local remanufacturing/reprocessing of targeted waste streams and job creation opportunities through construction and ongoing operation. Find out more

**Transport Subsidies for Regional Councils**

Temporary one-off transport subsidies are available to regional councils to address the cost of transporting recyclables. Find out more

**Recycling Market Development Grants**

Funding is available to local councils, industry associations and organisations that produce, manufacture, sell or promote South Australian recycled materials and/or recycled-content products. Find out more

**Business Sustainability Funding**

Resource Efficiency and Productivity (REAP) Grants offer up to $20,000 to South Australian businesses to improve materials, energy and water efficiency, and lean production. Find out more

**Solid Waste Management Improvement Incentives (SWMII)**

Accepting expressions of interest. Application is by invitation, which may be offered after registering interest and discussing your project with Green Industries SA. Find out more

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