

WORDS ON WASTE

Greater Shepparton City Council's Waste Education Newsletter



Welcome to Greater Shepparton City Council's Waste Education newsletter! Here, you'll find information about what's happening in the waste-space at Council, and also get some handy tips and tricks about how to reduce the amount of waste you send to landfill! If you've got any waste-related tidbits you'd like us to share, please email waste@shepparton.vic.gov.au: we'd love to hear from you 😊



PLASTIC FREE JULY IS COMING!

Plastic Free July is a global movement that helps millions of people tackle plastic pollution.

As July edges closer, Council would love you to start thinking about the changes (big or small) that you could make this year to reduce the amount of plastic in your life.

Head to www.plasticfreejuly.org to find out more, and get ready to take the challenge!

DID YOU KNOW?

E-Waste (electronic waste) should never be disposed of in your kerbside bins. Not only can the contents pose a danger to the environment, but they are also valuable resources that can be used again!



You can dispose of small E-Waste items such as laptops, iPads, irons and drills for FREE at all of Council's Resource Recovery Centres. For a full list of items, and their disposal cost, follow this link [here](#).

Follow Your Rubbish tours

Are you interested in seeing what happens to the contents of your kerbside bins, once the garbage truck takes it away? Council offers schools and community groups the opportunity to book in a Follow Your Rubbish tour. This tour can be tailored to suit your interests, and can include one, all or a combination of: the Shepparton Resource Recovery Centre, Western Composting, Cosgrove Landfill and the Australian Botanic Gardens.

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SOFT PLASTICS

KEEP THEM OUT OF LANDFILL

Soft plastics like cling wrap, bread bags, cereal box liners, lolly bags and frozen food bags can all be kept out of your landfill bin! As part of the REDcycle program, you can drop off all of these items (and more) at your local Coles or Woolworths supermarket. What looks like waste is then turned into things like park furniture and bollards! For a full list of what is considered a soft plastic, click [here](#).

WASTE-LESS IDEA

From Courtney in Council's Waste Team

"My kids love yoghurt pouches, and thankfully they can be recycled!

When they're empty, just cut the tops off, give the pouch a rinse and pop it with your other soft-plastics to take with you next time you drop off a collection at your local Coles or Woolworths"



Courtney really enjoys sharing her knowledge and ideas with others, and when she thinks of a useful waste-related tip, she shares it on her social media channels.

If you've got a handy hint of your own you'd like us to share, please send us an email at waste@shepparton.vic.gov.au



If you'd like one of these magnets for your fridge, please contact the waste team or visit Council's Customer Service desk.

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