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1. PURPOSE

Wudinna District Council is committed to providing a waste management service that meets legislative requirements and objectives in a fair, equitable and cost effective manner to its ratepayers.

This policy is designed to ensure the delivery of an environmentally sustainable and economically viable waste collection service for residents and businesses within the designated collection service area and to outline the requirements for both Council and the resident/ratepayer in providing the service.

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2. LEGISLATION

Section 155 (2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* ("the Act") provides that the Council may impose a service charge on rateable and non-rateable land to which it provides or makes available a prescribed service.

Section 155 (1)(b) of the Act defines a prescribed service as including "the collection, treatment or disposal (including by recycling) of waste".

The Act also states that Council can only recover costs directly related to the establishment, operation, maintenance, improvement and replacement of the prescribed service.

Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2013* sets out the requirements for the imposition of rates or charges for services not provided at the land.

3. WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE

Council will provide a weekly kerbside household waste collection service to all rateable properties within the boundaries identified in the attached maps of Wudinna (*Appendix 1*) and Minnipa (*Appendix 2*). Properties within the Waste Collection Designated Area(s) as identified in *Appendix 3* will be provided with a weekly household waste collection service from either the kerbside or a bin bank location. The Waste Collection Designated Area covers any property situated within 500 metres of a bin bank location.

Map 1 – Yaninee Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route

Map 2 – Pygery Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route

Map 3 – Kyancutta Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route

Map 4 – Warrambo Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route

The standard entitlement weekly collection service will provide for the collection of household waste by the use of one (1) 140 litre mobile garbage bin (MGB). The maximum weight of the MGB will be determined by the policy of the contractor responsible for the waste collection service.

Household Waste means any kind of domestic and kitchen waste generated from residences but excludes liquids, metals (other than food containers), building materials, stones, bricks, soil, green waste, lead acid batteries, tyres and any dangerous or toxic waste.

The collection day for each property shall be determined by the General Manager Works and Infrastructure in conjunction with Council's contractor.

Council will provide information to the community from time to time via The Granite, Council's website and Facebook page regarding the waste collection services available and the types of waste that will be collected and the types of waste that cannot be disposed of in mobile garbage bins.

4. RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICE

No collection of recyclable waste is currently undertaken within the Wudinna District Council.

5. SERVICE CHARGE

An annual Waste Service Charge will be applied to all properties to which Council provides or makes available the Waste Service for a mobile garbage bin collection and disposal service. Vacant land will not attract a service charge unless the principal ratepayer has requested the service be provided to the property.

Upon application, property owners that are more than 500 metres but no more than five kilometres from a designated bin bank location are to be provided with a mobile garbage bin and pay the associated annual service charge in accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2013*. Property owners further than five kilometres from a designated bin bank are liable for 50% of the annual service charge.

Council has deemed that the imposition of the Waste Collection Service Charge may cause hardship for some ratepayers and therefore offers a partial remission (50%) of this charge to eligible applicants.

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To be eligible, the applicant must be:

- the owner/principal ratepayer; and
- the property must be the applicant's principal place of residence;
- a recipient or eligible for a Cost of Living Allowance and/or concession cardholder.

Applications for a remission are to be submitted to Council via a "Rate Remission Application Form".

6. COMMERCIAL COLLECTION SERVICE

Council will offer a weekly general waste (same definition, in context, as "household waste" in Section 3) collection service to commercial premises within the townships of Wudinna and Minnipa. The standard entitlement weekly collection service will provide for the collection of general waste by the use of one (1) 140 litre mobile garbage bin (MGB).

Commercial properties not requiring the collection service may cancel it. An application is to be made via the "Mobile Garbage Bin Collection Form" which is to be approved at the discretion of the General Manager Works and Infrastructure or Manager Financial Services, as per the terms of this policy. Any service removed will only be reinstated upon application.

7. PROVISION AND REPLACEMENT OF MOBILE GARBAGE BINS

- 7.1 Council will provide the first bin to all new properties free of charge.
- 7.2 Council will replace a stolen or vandalised bin free of charge upon production of evidence of the stolen property being reported to the Police (report number required).
- 7.3 If the bin has been damaged as a direct result of Council's contractor (taking into account that all bins have a limited life and their condition will progressively deteriorate with normal use), any replacement must be negotiated between Council and the resident/ratepayer.
- 7.4 If the bin has been damaged as a result of the actions of the resident/ratepayer, they are responsible for the cost of purchasing a new bin or replacement parts, where applicable. Refer to Council's Fees & Charges Register for current costs.
- 7.5 The bins are the property of the Council and are registered by serial number to the premises to which it is allocated. Therefore, the bin must remain with that property unless returned to Council. If a change of occupancy or ownership occurs, the bins must remain with the property. It is the responsibility of the land agent/owner to ensure that if a rental tenant or property ownership changes, the bins stay at the property.

8. ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- 8.1 Applications can be made to Council for additional services (bin numbers), with services capped at a maximum of:
 - 2 services per rateable residential property, and
 - 10 services per rateable commercial property.
- 8.2 Applications for bins exceeding the maximum services set out at 8.1 above, will only be granted where there are extenuating or substantiated reasons for the additional bins.
- 8.3 Applications for additional services are to be made via the "Mobile Garbage Bin Collection Form".
- 8.4 Each additional service will attract an additional annual Waste Service Charge.

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9. REDUCTION OF SERVICES

- 9.1 Should properties with multiple bins require a reduction in services, they will be required to make an application to the Council office by 30 May of each year via the "Mobile Garbage Bin Collection Form".
- 9.2 Any application for reduction in services received after 1 July each year will be assessed on an individual basis but may incur the service charge/s for that financial year.
- 9.3 Upon approval of bin reduction, the Council will remove any bins no longer required from the property.
- 9.4 Residential service recipients will not be approved to reduce the number of services to less than one (1) service.

10. PROPERTIES OUTSIDE THE DESIGNATED COLLECTION SERVICE AREA

Properties located outside of the designated collection service area will not be entitled to receive the collection service and therefore, will not be required to pay the Waste Service Charge. Upon application and assessment, ratepayers may have the service made available to their property.

11. NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Not-for-profit community organisations or recreational facilities who do not require the service may apply to Council to have the service removed. An application is to be made via the "Mobile Garbage Bin Collection Form" which is to be approved at the discretion of the General Manager Works and Infrastructure or Manager Financial Services, as per the terms of this policy. Any service removed will only be reinstated upon application.

12. USER OBLIGATIONS

- 12.1 The kerbside collection service is to operate between the hours of 6.00am and 6.00pm. All bins must be put out the night before collection to ensure pick up. Bins not placed out by this time may be considered as a non-collection at the discretion of Council's contractor.
- 12.2 Where contamination is observed in the mobile garbage bin, Council's waste collection contractor will refuse to pick the bin up. The resident will be required to remove the offending waste material and dispose of it appropriately. Council will be notified of contaminated bins and will monitor properties with action taken if serial offenders are noted.

13. DISPOSAL OF WASTE NOT COVERED BY THIS POLICY

It is the resident's responsibility to convey any waste not covered by this Policy to Council's Wudinna Refuse Site or Waste Transfer Station at Minnipa.

Designated site opening times are to be determined by the General Manager Works and Infrastructure and published on Council's website. Out of hours access to the Wudinna Refuse Site may be arranged by negotiation with the General Manager Works and Infrastructure, but a fee will apply.

The general public can dispose of waste at these facilities, for a fee which is in accordance with Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges.

Prohibited Items

Council's operation licences for the landfill site and transfer stations do not allow the following to be received:

- Asbestos
- Tyres
- Medical Waste
- Toxic Substances
- Prohibited Substances

Residents will have to make their own arrangements to dispose of these items in accordance with legislation, industry codes of practice and current procedures.

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14. FEES AND CHARGES

Service charges for collection services and disposal fees are set by Council as part of the annual budget process. Fees are available by contacting the Council Office or from our website www.wudinna.sa.gov.au.

15. AVAILABILITY OF POLICY

This Policy will be available for inspection at Council's principal office during ordinary business hours and on the Council's website www.wudinna.sa.gov.au. Copies will also be provided to interested members of the community upon request and upon payment of a fee in accordance with Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges.

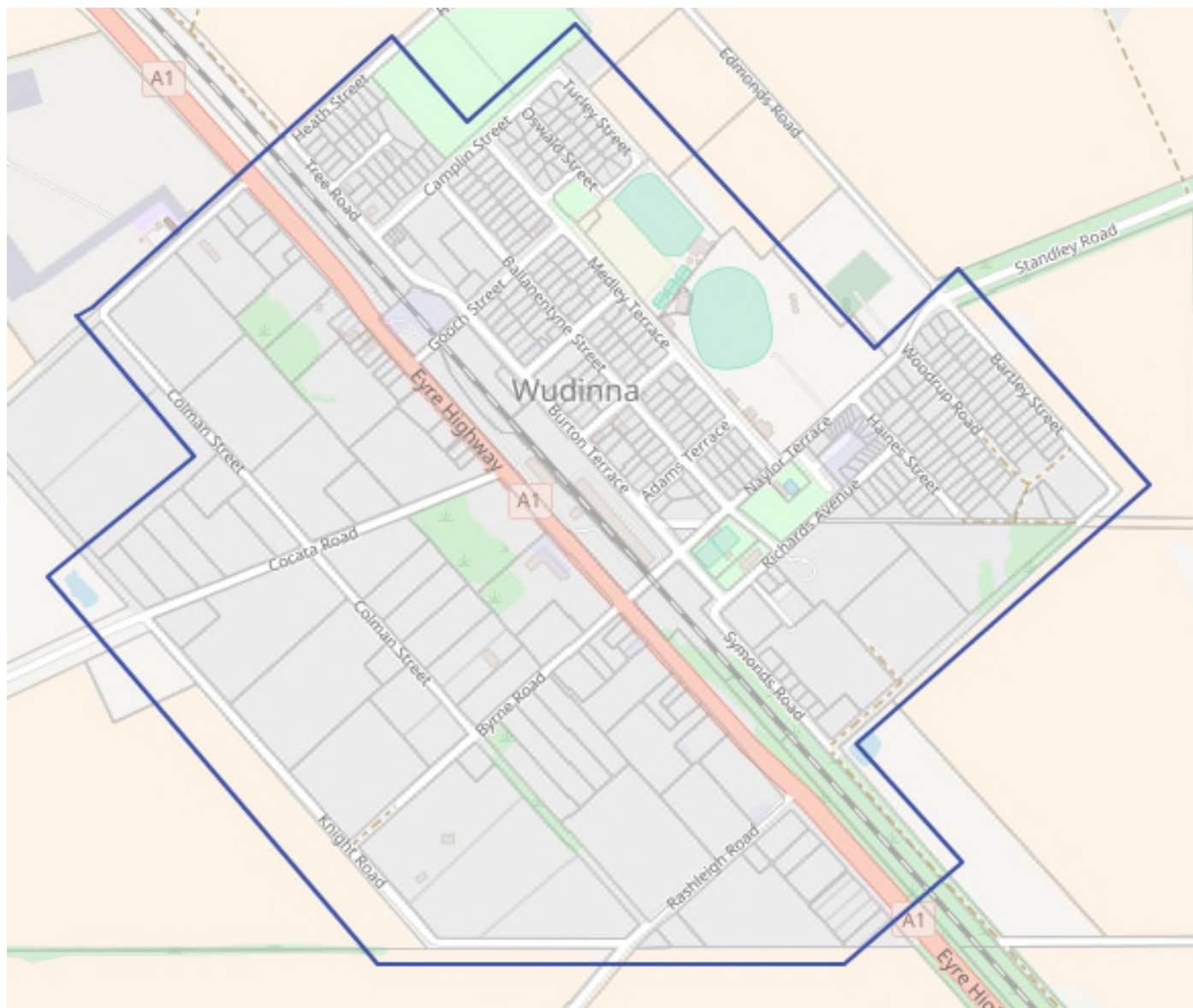


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Appendix 1

Kerbside Collection Area - Wudinna



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Kerbside Collection Area - Minnipa





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Waste Collection Designated Area(s) – Bin Bank Locations
Map 1 – Yaninee Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route



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Map 2 – Pygery Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route

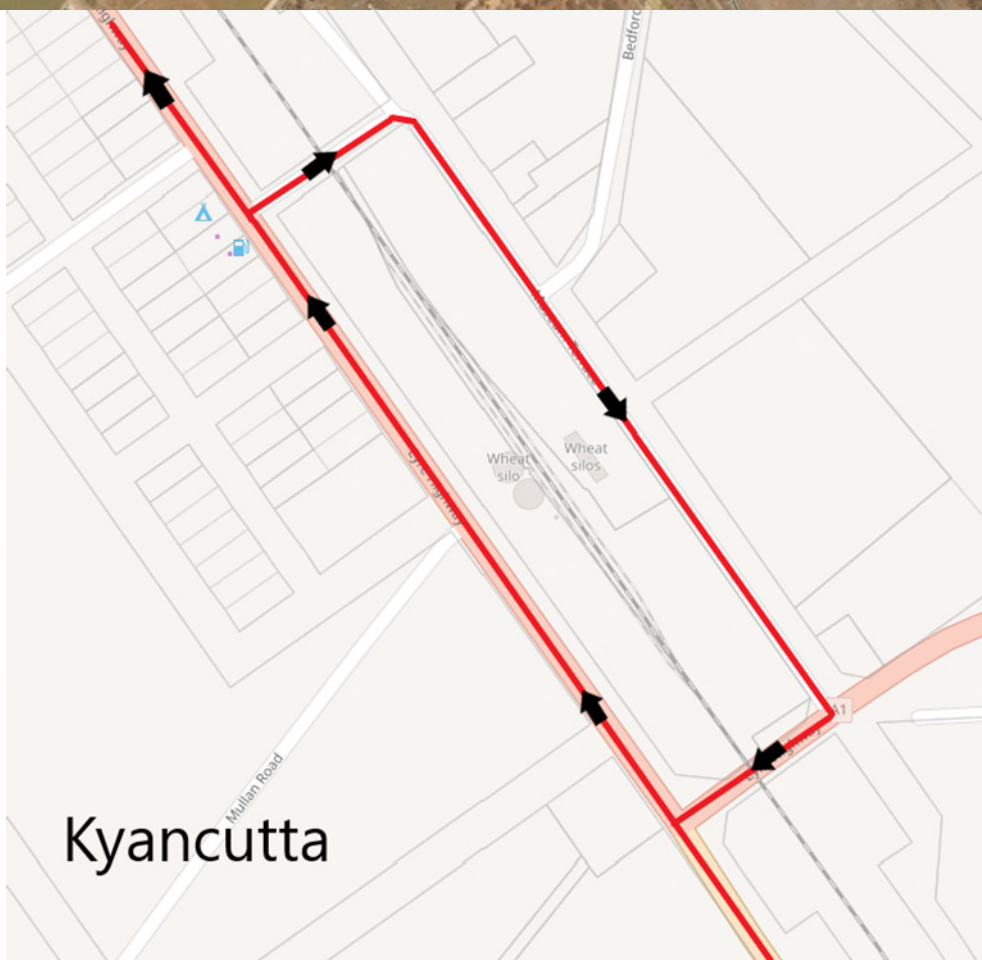




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Map 3 – Kyancutta Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route



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Map 4 – Warramboo Designated Area and Kerbside Collection Route

