

## 4. BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

### 4.1 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS

#### WASTE COLLECTION POLICY

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<b>Applicable to Unit(s):</b>	Natural Environment and Parks
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Manager Natural Environment and Parks Coordinator Waste and Sustainability
<b>Related Policies:</b>	Nil
<b>Related Documents:</b>	Waste Collection Maps
<b>Statutory Reference:</b>	<i>Local Government Act 2020</i> <i>Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008</i>

#### OVERVIEW

Under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2020* and the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*, Council has the authority/obligation to implement a municipal garbage collection service.

The purpose of this policy is to describe the properties to which a garbage service is provided as per the Council declared areas defined in the Waste Collection Maps.

#### THE POLICY

The kerbside waste collection service is applicable to all properties within the declared areas as follows:

- Residential properties.
- Commercial properties: except where a prima facie evidence exists that the commercial property in question has a garbage collection from a commercial waste collection operator.
- Temporary dwellings: are exempt from the service but can request a regular collection. Standard Council garbage charges apply.
- Vacant lots: as per Temporary Dwellings above.
- Non rateable properties are exempt from the service but can elect to receive a regular garbage collection. Standard Council garbage charges apply.
- Not for Profit organisations, administered by community based voluntary boards, whose primary purpose is to provide accommodation for elderly citizens are exempt from the service but can elect to receive a regular garbage collection (partial or full). Standard Council garbage charges apply.
- Charitable organisations: no exemptions apply.

#### Additional Services

Residents can apply for additional sets of bins (120ltr Garbage and 240ltr Recycling) - standard Council garbage charges apply.

## **Special medical circumstances**

Subject to meeting the definition (as described below) residents can apply for an additional rubbish and/or recycling bin - no additional fees apply.

## **Definitions**

Garbage collection: weekly kerbside garbage collection, fortnightly kerbside recycling collection and annual hard waste collection.

Non rateable land: as per the definition contained in Section 154 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Not for Profit: as per the definition of the Australian Tax Office.

Special medical circumstances: households with special medical requirements confirmed in writing by a specialist medical professional (each case will be individually assessed as to how it meets the criteria).

## **HUMAN RIGHTS**

Wellington Shire Council is committed to upholding the Human Rights principles as outlined in the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006 (Vic)* and referred to in Council's Human Rights Policy. The Human Rights Checklist has been completed and this policy accords with Council's policy commitment to uphold human rights principles.