

TIMARU



DISTRICT COUNCIL

Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe
o Te Tihi o Maru

Statement of Proposal

2024 - 2030 Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Consultation

Let us know
what you think
of our draft
plan.

Submissions close Friday
22 March at 5pm

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Introduction

The Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan sets out the direction for Timaru District in relation to Waste activities for the next 6 years. The Plan although only for 6 years follows on from the Waste Management and Minimisation 2018 – 2024 Plan. It looks to build on measures identified in this plan and also has a future vision.

Submissions close on 22nd March 2024.

Summary

The Waste Minimisation Act 2008 requires that Council must complete a full review of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan every six years.

This Statement of Proposal is seeking public feedback on the proposed new Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan. **We invite your views and feedback via the submission process outlined later in this document.**

Submissions are invited from 21st February 2024 until 22nd March 2024. At the end of this period, the Infrastructure Committee will:

- Consider submissions;
- Conduct hearings for anyone who wishes to speak in support of their written submission, and;
- Recommend a Waste Management and Minimisation Plan to be adopted for 2024 - 2030

This document has been prepared to meet the requirements of Section 83 and 87 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Background

Under the Waste Minimisation Act 2008 we are required to update our Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) every six years. The current plan was last updated in 2018.

Timaru District has been a leader amongst Councils since the introduction of the 3-2-1-Zero Bin system in 2006. TDC was the first council to adopt such a scheme in New Zealand. Initially the kerbside collection consisted of three bins, however in 2021 a fourth bin (glass) was added.

Written feedback has been received from the Medical Officer of Health informing of support of the Draft Plan.

What can the Plan include?

The WMMP can include goals, initiatives, options, challenges and opportunities for the Timaru District in relation to waste management and minimisation. The period of this Draft Plan is 2024 – 2030, but there needs to also be a longer term focus as per the New Zealand Waste Strategy.

What is being proposed?

The Waste Minimisation Act 2008 sets out the legislative requirements for waste and the New Zealand Waste Strategy (NZWS) provides the strategic direction for waste management and minimisation in New Zealand.

Additionally the Mackenzie District Council, Timaru District Council and Waimate District Council are jointly entered into a Waste Management and Minimisation contract with Enviro NZ. The wider group is classified as the South Canterbury area. The Plan contains both goals and objectives for the wider South Canterbury area and those specific Timaru District

Enviro NZ manage the Transfer Stations at Geraldine, Pleasant Point and Temuka and the Redruth Recovery Park on behalf of TDC. In addition they employ two educators to work in the community. This contract has a 15-year period with a 5-year right of renewal. The legislation plus the contract conditions does influence and potentially constrain Council when creating the WMMP.

The proposed waste minimisation targets as established under the NZWS are:

NZWS target	Local annual target (kg per capita, tonnes, %)	TDC	
		Baseline 2022	Target 2030
10% reduction in waste generation	Total kerbside material	479 kg per capita ¹	431 kg per capita
	Total material received TS/ RRP's	9,050 tonnes	<9,050 tonnes
Reduction in final disposal	Kerbside refuse collection	130 kg per capita ²	117 kg per capita
	% contamination in kerbside organics, glass, and recycling	Organic <1% Glass <1%	Organic <1% Glass <1%
	% contamination Redruth MRF	23.3%	<10%
	Redruth Landfill disposal from TS/ RRP's ³	5,100 tonnes	3,570 tonnes
30% reduction in biogenic methane emissions	% total organics in kerbside rubbish collection	36%	25%
	% organics received at Redruth Landfill	Approx. 50%	25%

The targets will ensure a focus is on education as the best way to reduce contamination. The recent kerbside legislative changes, which seek to standardise recycling and organics materials throughout New Zealand will result in national publicity relating to allowable items in

¹ Calculation of kg per capita is based on estimate of service entitled population.

² For January-December 2022.

³ Based on 2022 data at Redruth Landfill. Tonnage covers all disposable materials via councils' TS and RRP.

recycling and organics. Aligned with on-going bin audits there is the opportunity for significant improvement here.

Liaison with community and business groups is a significant part of the plan with TDC providing support for the educators.

Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan

The full draft WMMP can be found on the Council website (<https://www.timaru.govt.nz/tell-us/current-consultations>) or at any Council Service Centre/Library.

To help you navigate the draft WMMP, it is split into 3 parts:

Part A: The Strategy: contains core elements, vision, goals, objectives, and targets. It sets out what we are aiming to achieve and the broad framework for working towards the vision.

Part B: Action Plan: sets out the proposed actions to be taken to achieve the goals, objectives, and targets set out in Part A. Part B also shows how we will monitor and report on our actions and how they will be funded.

Part C: Supporting Information: contains the background information that has informed the development of our (WMMP). Most of this information is contained in the joint Waste Assessment (WA)

Alternative Policy Options

The WMMP could have aspects added, removed or changed. Some of these alternative options are outlined below.

Options	Perceived advantages and disadvantages
Promoting the use of business waste partners, as opposed to TDC kerbside bin collection, for commercial customers	Reduces TDC bins that are to be collected. Potential development from commercial customers of a sustainable waste strategy
Opportunities to promote local circular economy systems	Helping reduce materials going to landfill and education of community. The cost of set up may be an issue, but can consider opportunities with use of the Waste levy
Promoting the educators within the wider community i.e. providing waste strategy support to schools, businesses, event organisers etc	How to manage waste is better understood. Potential to reduce contamination for both individuals, organisations, businesses and events

Working with private waste contractors as part of the overall Timaru District waste strategy	Understanding their needs better and them gaining a greater appreciation of the waste management and minimisation direction that TDC is taking
Working with construction and demolition companies to see what options are available to divert waste	The firms feel supported. They are made aware of other options for waste disposal. Potential to discuss less waste centred methods of operation
Continue investigating locally, NZ wide and internationally for recycle markets and opportunities	By finding recycle markets we are promoting the circular economy. The fluctuation in prices, transport costs and market availability can make some recycling potentially unsustainable in the short-term.

Have your say

Let us know what you think about our draft WMMP.

You can do this by:

- Completing the online submission form at <https://www.timaru.govt.nz/tell-us/current-consultations>, or;
- Completing the physical submission form at the end of this document and posting it back to Council, or;
- Completing the physical submission form at the end of this document, scanning it and emailing it to submission@timdc.govt.nz

Submissions close Friday 22nd March at 5pm.

If you have any questions about the content of the draft WMMP, email: wastemin@timdc.govt.nz

If you have any questions about the submissions process, email: submission@timdc.govt.nz

Alternatively, contact us via telephone: 07 687 7200

Timeline

21st February 2024 to 5pm Friday 22nd March 2024: Consultation period

Mid-April 2024: Infrastructure Committee considers submissions (and holds a Hearing if required)

April 2024: Infrastructure Committee deliberates on submissions and recommends a WMMP to Council

Note: Additional public consultation may be necessary if the WMMP is amended as a result of submissions received.

Privacy Statement

All submissions are public information and will be included on Council's website or in public documents located at Council offices and Libraries/Service Centres. This will include your name.

Your contact information (phone number and/or email address and/or postal address) will not be made publicly available.

Your contact information will be accessible to, and used by, Council staff for submission administration purposes, such as contacting you if you want to speak at the Hearing.

All information is held by Council in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020. You have the right to access and correct personal information.

Draft WMMP Submission Form

Complete this form to make a submission on the Draft WMMP.

First name*:

Last name*:

Organisation (if applicable):

Phone (landline or mobile):

Email*

Postal address*:

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*we require your email address and/or your physical postal address.

Make your submission by either:

1) Putting this form in a sealed envelope and posting it to

FreePost Authority Number 95136

Policy Review Consultation

Timaru District Council

PO Box 522

TIMARU 7940

or

2) Scanning this form and emailing it to submission@timdc.govt.nz

All submissions must be received by Council by the close of consultation, being 5pm 22 March 2024.

Your feedback

Do you want to speak about your submission at a Hearing? (tick a circle)**:

Yes

No

**must complete. If you do not complete, we will assume you do not wish to speak.

Do you support the Draft WMMP as presented? (tick a box):

Yes

No

Make any comments about why you do or do not support the proposal.

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What changes, if any, would you like to see to what is proposed?

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Need more room?

Please use extra paper if required and attach with your submission.

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