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Shire of Gingin to Roll Out Recycling Bin Service

As part of its commitment to support a healthy natural environment, the Shire of Gingin will be implementing a new two-bin waste collection service to residents who currently receive rubbish collection in the Shire's town sites and rural living areas, to be rolled out between August and September this year. This service, which will include a bin collection for recyclables, supports our community's desire for adopting sustainable best practices in waste management and diverting as much waste as possible from landfill.

The new service forms part of the Waste Authority's 'Better Bins' and 'Recycling Right' initiative which will introduce a coloured bin lid system – red lid for general waste (weekly) and yellow for recyclables (fortnightly) – to replace the current one-bin non-recyclable system.

The Shire's current waste management contractor, Avon Waste, will supply the new bins to residents and manage collection of the new two-bin system.

New bins will be **delivered to households from 21st to 31st August 2017** and **collections will then commence on 1st September**, depending on each Zone. These are outlined as follows:

- **Zone 1** – Lancelin
- **Zone 2** – Ledge Point
- **Zone 3** – Gingin and properties east of Brand Highway including Lennard Brook
- **Zone 4** – Seabird, Guilderton, Gingin Brook Road and properties west of Brand Highway currently receiving waste collection (including Beermullah, Wanerie, Coonabidgee, Muckenburra, Neergabby and Yeal) but *excluding* the Rural Estates listed below
- **Zone 5** – Ocean Farms, Seaview Park, Sovereign Hill, Redfield Park, and Woodridge

Avon Waste will also supply a magnetic Resource Recovery Calendar with the new bins showing collection dates for each Zone, as well as "how to use your bins" and "put it in the right bin" information. If anyone is unsure of their particular Zone or does not receive a magnetic calendar, please contact Avon Waste on 1300 059 391 or email admin@avonwaste.com.au.

In addition, if any residents currently take their bin to a "bank of bins" for collection, their new bins will be delivered to their actual properties to alleviate the possibility of them going missing. Collection of waste from the new bins will still occur from their respective "bank of bins" in future.

It is important for residents to note that once waste collections commence, Avon Waste will only empty the new bins with the red and yellow lids branded with the 'Shire of Gingin' logo – **the old non-Shire bins will not be emptied.**

It is also important for residents to ensure their properties are easily identified to avoid delays or confusion with delivery of the new bins.

“This new service is being supplied at no additional cost to ratepayers,” said Shire President, Cr David Roe. “The cost is covered by the Waste Service Levy which is collected automatically from rates each year.

“You can help us reduce the burden of unnecessary waste to landfill through efficient use of the new bins. Everything collected from the yellow lid recycling bins will go to the South Metropolitan Regional Council facility in Canning Vale where recyclables are sorted and sent to various markets for recycling into other products.

“Your active participation in this new system will make a big difference toward preserving our environment for future generations.”

The Shire will be writing to those ratepayers shortly whose properties currently receive waste collection to provide them with additional information on the new service.

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