

## 5.8 Project 8: Commercial Waste Collections Options Appraisal

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<i>Project Driver Summary: Need to review service provision and to consider a separate waste charge</i>								
Project Status	Project Start	Completion Date	Waste Hierarchical Position	Avoidance	Reuse and repurposing	Recycling and composting	Recovery prior to final disposal	Other Comments
Current/Ongoing	2018	June 2019		✓		✓		Future campaigns to assist waste behaviour in businesses could include food waste reduction initiatives.

**Project Driver:** The City recognises its statutory obligation in accordance with the WARR Act to manage MSW. The City currently provides a waste and recycling collection service inclusive of the businesses rateable charge, although this is not a statutory obligation of the WARR Act. Each rate-paying business has a bin capacity allowance, calculated using a historical method using the premises type and size. The City will investigate the value of providing the existing service in this capacity and review alternative options. Work undertaken by the City has determined a differentiation in commercial and domestic waste tonnage. This will provide transparency of the costs associated with each sector and waste management within the City.

The City values its commercial sector and the businesses that underpin it and, is driven to ensure the best service provisions the City can offer are in place. In conjunction with the investigations into service provisions of the City for commercial customers, a waste education program as part of Project 6, will be developed to assist businesses in reducing waste and subsequent costs.

An alternative charging mechanism could encourage a more conscientious waste behaviour, minimising waste collected and waste sent to landfill. Implementation of an alternative service charging mechanism could see significant cost benefits to the City.