



# Compostables Landfill

### WHAT IS CURRENTLY **IN LANDFILL BINS?**

59% food and garden organics (should go in your green FOGO bin)

10% recyclables (should go in your yellow recycle bin)

31% landfill

## WHAT IS FOGO?

FOGO stands for Food Organics and Garden Organics. It covers all the organic waste we usually generate at home, both in the kitchen and the garden. Some things like food scraps and grass clippings are obvious, however it also includes things like greasy cardboard, shredded paper and dog poo! Refer to the categories stamped on the lid of your FOGO Bin, as well as the fact sheet provided in your information booklet.

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS **OF FOGO?**

Using the FOGO bin instead of the red bin has many benefits including:

- reduces your carbon footprint
- saves space in your red bin
- reduces the amount (and cost) of landfill needed
- creates valuable compost
- helps create local jobs in the circular economy



**INFORMATION ABOUT THIS PILOT** yoursay.portlincoln.sa.gov.au/FOGO Council 8621 2300

**Collection day notifications** available via the free My Local Services App

### **HOW IS THE FOGO PILOT FUNDED?**

This trial has been co-funded by the City of Port Lincoln and Green Industries SA (GISA). **GISA's Council Modernisation** Program assists councils to improve waste management and recycling services. There will be no additional charges payable by rate pavers for the Pilot.

### WHY WAS THIS LOCATION **CHOSEN?**

The FOGO Pilot had to meet set criteria in terms of minimising impact on existing kerbside waste collection services, such as the total number of properties, geographic area and impact on truck movements. The area chosen was the only existing collection route in Port Lincoln that met all criteria.

### IS MY HOUSE IN THE FOGO **PILOT AREA?**

The FOGO Pilot is being run across approximately 400 properties in a small geographical area shown in the map provided; between Normandy Place, Flinders Highway, Breton Place and Lincoln Highway. If you do not live in this area, you are not affected by the FOGO Pilot.

Here is a full list of street names in the Pilot Area:

- Alexander Crescent
- Alsace Crescent
- Amiens Place
- Baudin Place
- Bellewood Avenue
- Breton Place
- Eric Avenue
- Gascony Crescent
- Grange Grove
- Hillside Grove
- Jillian Avenue
- Lombardy Place
- Lorraine Avenue
- McDonald Avenue
- Mena Place
- Normandy Place
- Paige Street
- Picardy Place
- Roslyn Street
- Roxanne Street
- Shannon Avenue



### **SO, WHAT IS CHANGING?**





WEEK 1 GREEN FOGO BIN AND RED WASTE BIN WEEK 2 YELLOW RECYCLING BIN

#### **HOW WILL IT WORK?**

# Will my existing collections change?

Yes. The 140L red lid bin will now be picked up fortnightly, along with the 240L FOGO bin. The recycle bin will continue to be collected fortnightly, commencing from 26 February 2024. A collection calendar will be published closer to the date, and bin day reminders will be provided via the free My Local Services App.

# Why will the red bin only be picked up fortnightly?

Figures from our last waste audit show almost 60% of the contents of our 140L red bins is organic materials. Introducing the 240L FOGO bin will free up a lot of space in the 140L red bin, meaning it wont fill up as quickly.

#### Do I have to take part?

Yes. The collection round schedule will be changed during the Pilot period to a "fortnightly all streams" service. All occupied properties in the Pilot Area will have a 240L FOGO bin and kitchen caddy delivered. We encourage you to embrace this Pilot as it has been shown to be successful in other areas around the state.

### I am concerned my FOGO bin will smell. What can I do?

Reduce potential unpleasant smells in the FOGO bin by containing scraps in compostable bags or wrapping in newspaper. Combining food



waste in the FOGO bin with garden prunings, lawn clippings, even shredded paper, will help absorb moisture and reduce odours. You can also freeze things that are likely to produce more odours, like seafood, meat scraps and dairy, and place them in the FOGO bin the day before collection.

### I don't think I will have a lot of organic waste. Can I still participate?

Yes, you can. Even for most households with home compost systems, there are still likely to be some food scraps (like meat, bones, dairy, dog poo!) that are not recommended for home compost systems, and some garden waste that is hard to manage on your block. You can place all food scraps and organic garden materials in the FOGO bin - even greasy pizza boxes! - so this collection can complement your existing home system.

# I live in a unit with shared bins. What should I do?

All residences will require kitchen caddies and liner bags for food waste. For units with shared kerbside bin arrangements, it may be possible for you to share a FOGO bin with your neighbour for food waste too. However someone would need to be responsible for moving the shared bin for collection day. If you would like to arrange a trial of shared bins please get in touch on 8621 2300 to discuss what we can do to assist.

### Will I have enough space in my waste bin if its only collected fortnightly?

In total residents will receive 100 L of additional bin space collection to manage their waste streams, so if organic food and garden waste is put in the FOGO bin there should be enough space for most people. However if you have concerns about your circumstances please contact us on 8621 2300 or email us at plcc@ plcc.sa.gov.au to discuss how we can support you.

### I've read the available information but am still worried about the changes. What can I do?

If you have gone over the details and remain concerned about your circumstances please get in touch with us on 8621 2300 or email us at plcc@plcc.sa.gov.au to discuss how we can support you.