

FOGO REFERENCE GROUP MEETING OUTCOMES STATEMENT: MEETING 6, 13 OCTOBER 2020

The sixth meeting of the FOGO Reference Group was held on 13 October 2020.

FOGO Position Statement

The Group noted that the updated FOGO Position Statement was published on the Waste Authority website on 3 September 2020.

FOGO Rollout Plan

The Group considered a progress update on actions contained in the FOGO Rollout Plan. The Group discussed ways to ensure that the sector has access to resources being developed as part of the FOGO Rollout Plan. The Group also discussed the benefits of producing a step by step guide for FOGO implementation.

Market Development Strategy

The Group was advised that the procurement process to engage a consultant has been commenced within DWER.

WasteSorted

The Group was presented with an overview of the updated WasteSorted toolkit and the *Be a GREAT sort* behaviour change campaign which was launched on 31 August 2020.

Multi-Unit Dwellings (MUDs)

The Group discussed potential actions to further support the provision of FOGO services to MUDs, including ensuring that MUDs are included as part of the information resources to be provided to the sector.

Better Bins Plus: Go FOGO program

The Group was advised that the assessment of applications is underway and once finalised, funding agreements will be executed by the Chairman of the Waste Authority.

FOGO Reference Group Survey

The Group discussed the outcomes of a survey sent to FOGO Reference Group members including key issues identified that are not included in the FOGO rollout plan, in particular, contracting and certainty around the waste levy.

Red Hill Waste Management Facility Tour

A tour of the EMRC's Red Hill Waste Management Facility was conducted on Friday, 2 October 2020. The Group noted the potential value of producing a case study on EMRC's FOGO processing facility at Red Hill.

Composting Facilities

DWER provided a register and map of FOGO licensed facilities to inform discussions about processing. The Group discussed the idea of establishing an online group to discuss processing issues, possibly after the release of the DWER *Guideline: Better practice composting* (currently in draft).

Australian Organics Recycling Association (WA) (AORA) Papers

The Chair of AORA WA, David Cullen, provided the Group with an overview of AORA's papers: *The International Comparison of the Australian Standards for Composts, Soil Conditioners and Mulches (AS4454-2012)* and *The Economic Contribution of the Australian Organics Recycling Industries*.

National Update

The Group was provided with a progress update on actions in the *National Waste Policy Action Plan 2019* and the *National Food Waste Strategy*.