

## VISION & MISSION STATEMENT - NORTH EAST WASTE & RESOURCE RECOVERY GROUP

A workshop was conducted on Monday 9 November with the board and senior staff of the NEWRRG. The purpose being to develop organisational vision and mission statements to focus future activities.

The board has now adopted the following vision statement:

**'Getting best outcomes from our waste'**

The board have now adopted the following mission statement:

**'Improve our waste and resource recovery systems by facilitation, collaboration, research, planning and education with our stakeholders'**

## EARLY CONSULTATION ON IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Three consultation opportunities were released by NEWRRG to gain feedback on the development of the North East Waste and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan during October and November 2015.

The market sounding process is now complete, with a healthy number of submissions. This process has captured information from both industry and local government to further understand the current and future waste and resource recovery infrastructure in the region.

A consultation paper and survey were also released and are open for comment/input until the 18 December 2015.

## FORUM UPDATE

Several councils recently advised of changes to their nominated representatives to the North East Local Government Waste Forum, being:

- City of Wodonga: Mark Verbaken to replace Cr John Watson
- Towong Shire: Cr Mary Fraser to replace Cr Peter Joyce
- Indigo Shire: Cr Jenny O'Connor to replace Don Chambers

At the meeting on the 7 December, Mark Verbaken was elected as the new Chair of the forum. The forum at the same meeting voted to endorse Ron Janas as its recommendation to the Minister to fill the vacant director position on the NEWRRG board. This appointment is subject to Ministerial approval which may take several months to complete.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE FORMATION

The board have now formed an internal audit committee, with two external independent members. Mr Matthew Fagence and Dr Rowan O'Hagan have been appointed for three year terms, joining director Dr Tim Clune as the board representative, The first Audit Committee meeting will convene early in the new year.

## SUSTAINABILITY FUND PRIORITY STATEMENT

A draft priority statement for the Sustainability Fund has been released by DELWP for public consultation. Councils and resorts are encouraged to provide feedback on the statement which can be found at <http://delwp.vic.gov.au/environment-and-wildlife/sustainability-fund-priority-statement-review>

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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