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TALKING TRASH

Yes, it's a whole pile of rubbish but not nonsense! Changes at Shire of Plantagenet transfer stations will mean that from Tuesday 1 August 2017, tyres, electronic waste, steel waste, household furniture and green waste will only be accepted at the O'Neill Road and Kendenup Waste Facilities.

Like all local governments, the Shire of Plantagenet is at the mercy of commodity prices and transport costs. Recycling companies will no longer travel to small transfer stations to collect materials. Fluctuating commodity prices have resulted in these materials often being stockpiled on site for significant timeframes before the recycling companies will collect and transport them to Perth.

Shire of Plantagenet Chief Executive Officer, Rob Stewart feels there is a belief in the community that because the Shire is dealing with commodities like metal and aluminium the recycling service will be cost neutral. This is not the case. Whether it is aluminium, steel, e-waste or tyres, there is an increasing cost to the Shire and ultimately ratepayers, to handle this material and recycle it responsibly.

For more information on materials accepted at the respective Shire of Plantagenet waste facility sites please visit the Shire website at www.plantagenet.wa.gov.au.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Stewart".

Rob Stewart
Chief Executive Officer