

What happens to our waste ...



Our new advanced recycling facilities will enable the recovery of a greater percentage of our resources. This investment in our infrastructure will enable the Clarence to reduce its carbon footprint and move closer to our waste recovery goal of 70%. The new facilities have been brought together at the Grafton Regional Landfill, and provide a long-term solution to sorting and processing organic and recyclable materials.

Organics ...

To process all food and garden waste we needed to improve the existing outdoor open-row composting facility. Our new multi-million dollar fully enclosed facility will sort, shred and compost all food and garden waste in a closely monitored and controlled environment. Three giant aerobic composting tunnels will create the optimum composting environment to ensure the quality of the compost produced meets the Australian Standard.



Recyclables ...

The new recycling facility will be able to efficiently sort a wide range of domestic and commercial recyclables. The key feature is the new facility's capacity to sort comingled (paper & container) recyclables, so we no longer need the divider in the YELLOW bin, making your task easier and reducing glass breakage. The extra 120 litres of recycling space in your new 360 litre bin will make it easier for everyone to collect all their recyclables ready for processing.

What WE need to do

- Please put your bins out for collection the night before collection day
- Please leave half a metre distance between each bin to aid collection
- Place your bins at the kerbside, clear of any obstacles that may hinder collection
- Please ensure your bin is positioned with the council logo facing the road and wheels facing away from the road.
- In some areas householders may be asked to assist by placing bins on the OPPOSITE side of the road to their properties
- It is CRITICAL that only the correct items are placed in the bins. Contaminating the bin with incorrect materials increases sorting costs, can ruin the quality of recyclables and can be very hazardous to the staff collecting and sorting the material.

All collection vehicles are fitted with colour video cameras which enable the driver to monitor the contents of each bin as it is emptied.

The Council aims to help residents who are unsure what goes where, however residents who do not cooperate and continue to contaminate their bins after appropriate notification may have their service cancelled.



Artist's impression of the Clarence Valley Organics Recovery Facility