



MEDIA RELEASE

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Community FOGO Trial

Alice Springs Town Council is pleased to announce it has commenced the implementation of a food organics/garden organics (FOGO) community trial.

CEO Robert Jennings said *“FOGO - which stands for Food Organics Garden Organics - is a waste reduction initiative that aims to keep food waste out of landfill and recycle it into compost. Keeping food out of landfill reduces greenhouse gas emissions which contribute to climate change.”*

“In line with the targets set out in Council’s Climate Action Plan, officers have been working on developing a small-scale community FOGO trial. With up to 38% of residents’ general kerbside waste being food organics/garden organics, this is ‘low hanging fruit’ as far as waste reduction goes.”

After a successful internal staff trial, Council is now moving to scale up to the next stage and has selected 79 Alice Springs households. Expressions of interest for participants was sought in April 2020 with households selected based on two factors - trial logistics, and ensuring a cross-section of the community data (i.e gauging a selection of participants both those familiar and unfamiliar with composting)

In total approximately 110 households from the following areas will be part of the initial trial, with additional town camp households selected in collaboration with Tangentyere Council.

Areas being covered in the initial community trial are:

Larapinta

- Albrecht Drive
- Holtermann Court
- Latz Crescent
- Mirus Court

Gillen

- Bradshaw Drive
- Bloomfield street
- Memorial Avenue
- Milner Road

East Side

- Chewings Street
- Goyder Street
- Winnecke Avenue
- Raggatt Street

Desert Springs

- Cromwell Drive
- Eagle Court
- Hillside Gardens
- The Links

If you are in the selected streets (above) and have not been contacted as part of this trial, please contact Council if you would like to be involved. Unfortunately, due to logistics and data accuracy, additional streets will not be included as part of this phase of the trial.

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