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NI WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY CONSULTATION

NIRC is currently in the process of reviewing the Norfolk Island Waste Management Strategic Plan, a document developed in 2015 which set the basis for our current waste management system.

Anne Prince Consulting (APC) is conducting this review. The APC team has extensive experience in waste management across Australia, including remote regions and island communities.

To inform the updated strategic plan, an Options Paper has been developed by APC to consider various opportunities to address the island's waste streams that continue to be unresolved. These include bulky and construction/demolition waste, and the paper also includes alternative technologies to manage commercial and domestic waste streams. Recommendations on future fee structures, grant opportunities with the Australian and Queensland governments, and recycling schemes that may benefit Norfolk Island in addressing target waste types, are also included.

The Options Paper and Draft report is now available on Council's website at the following link <http://www.norfolkisland.gov.nf/your-council/council-documents/documents-public-exhibition>. In addition, a community survey has been developed to explore key issues and opportunities raised in the Options Paper. The online survey can be completed via survey monkey here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PVSZFDB>. We encourage the community to complete the survey, review the paper, and provide their comments via email or in person by the 27th of February 2022.

Anne and her team will be visiting the island from 14-19 February to conduct community consultation, including discussions with the Sustainability Advisory Group, and to inspect Council's current waste management facilities. They will also attend the Foodlands forecourt area on Saturday 19th February where members of the community are welcome to discuss waste management issues and opportunities and to understand more about the detail of the Options Paper.

If you would like to make an appointment to meet with APC during their visit, please contact PJ Wilson on email: pj.wilson@nirc.gov.nf. We look forward to the community's participation.

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