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Recycle your wrapping!

The festive season tends to generate a lot of extra waste – gift wrapping, cardboard boxes, glass bottles, aluminium cans and food waste.

This Christmas, don't forget to continue your good recycling habits by placing gift wrapping and cardboard in your yellow recycling bin, and ribbons and cellophane in your general waste bin.

City of Nedlands Mayor Max Hipkins said, "Residents have been really proactive in their recycling over the last few years, and I encourage people to keep up the good work."

"The Christmas and New Year period typically results in an increase in waste disposal with gift-giving and entertaining family and friends – we ask that everyone remains mindful of where the extra waste goes," he said.

The City of Nedlands is a leading local government in resource recovery, diverting approximately 49 per cent of waste from landfill.

Over the years Nedlands residents have supported the City's recycling initiatives and its three-bin system in diverting valuable recyclable materials from landfill. Thousands of tonnes of recycled waste have been collected over the years and sent to the Materials Recovery Facility, but around 15 per cent of that is still not recyclable and the City wants to reduce this further.

Placing waste or other inappropriate items into recycling bins increases disposal costs, which directly impacts ratepayers' waste charges. It can also result in costly damage to the collection and recovery equipment of our contractor.

Throughout the year please avoid putting the following common contaminants in your recycling bins:

- Food waste
- Clothing
- Electric appliances and building rubble
- Medical waste.

Avoid contamination and reduce your annual waste charges.

DO THE RIGHT THING: REDUCE – REUSE – RECYCLE.

Additional fees and charges can apply to recycling bins containing non-compliant waste.

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About the City of Nedlands

The City of Nedlands is situated 7km from Perth and stretches from the banks of the Swan River to the edge of the Indian Ocean. A population of over 21,000 live in the suburbs of Nedlands, Dalkeith, Mt Claremont, Swanbourne, Karrakatta, and parts of Floreat and Shenton Park.

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