

# Council-Wide FOGO Rollout Project

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# Purpose

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To explain a proposal to rollout FOGO (Food Organics and Garden Organics) bins, kitchen caddies and compostable bags to all properties.

# Strategic Context

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- Declared a climate emergency
- Strategic objective – Theme 2.2 Sustainable Resources
- Pledged to act on climate change

## Pledge (abbreviated)

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Reduce Council's waste to landfill  
by **75%** by **2030**.

## Current FOGO service – City of Mitcham

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- Fortnightly
- Collection Service only
- Opt-in at residents' cost
- 2/3 of properties covered (estimated)

# Metro Councils

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## 19 Metro Councils

- 4 **do not** provide free FOGO bins
- 4 **do not** provide free Kitchen Caddies
- Varying approaches

# What we've heard from the community

## Community survey (2020)

- 36% of respondents support supply of FOGO bin
- 46% of respondents want Council to increase collection of FOGO bin

## Community Insight Results (2021)

Community Insight (indicator)	Agreement	Importance
Council is doing enough to respond to climate change	25%	74%
I take proactive steps to limit my household waste	91%	91%

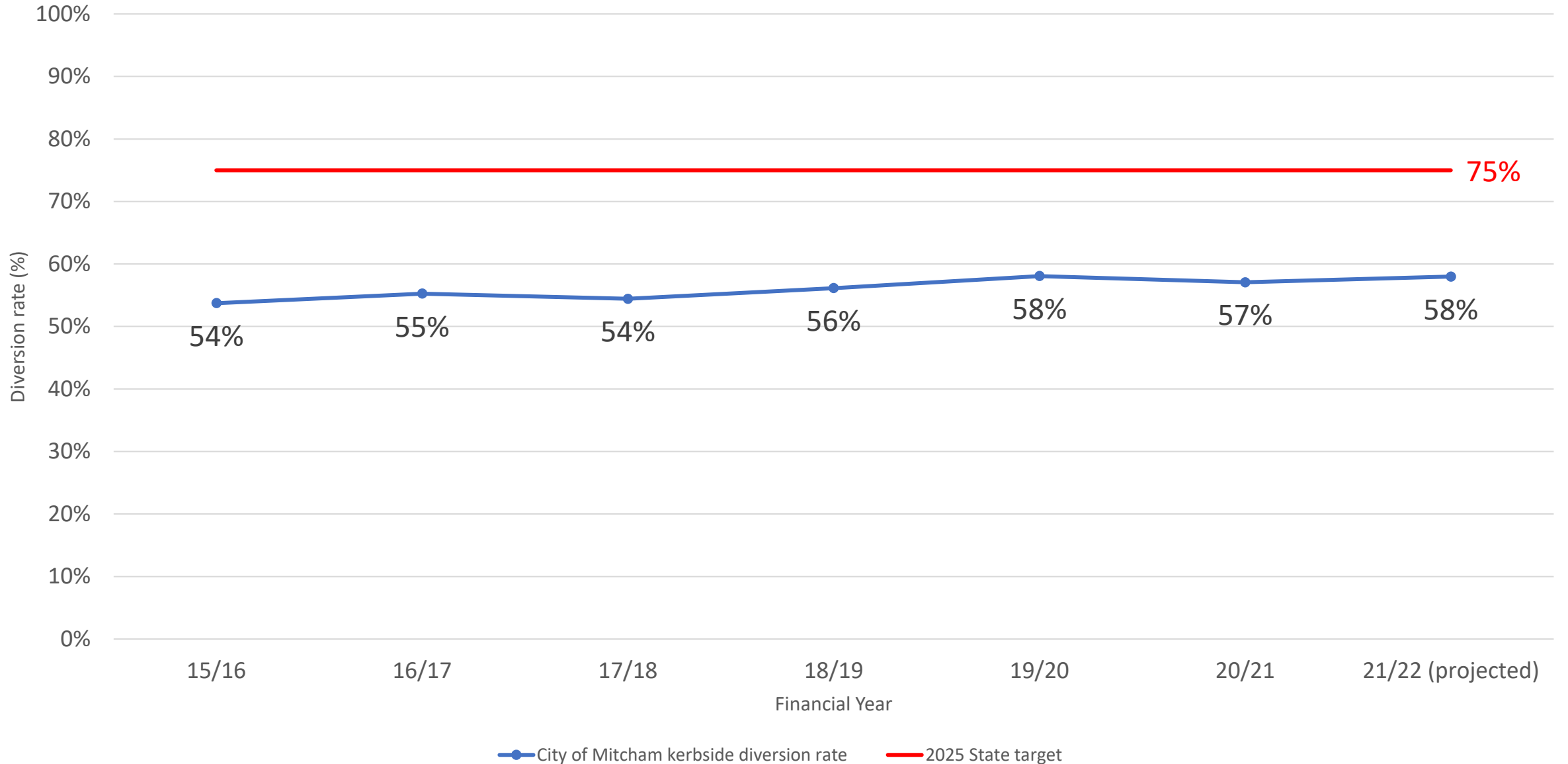
## What we've heard from State Government

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- 75% diversion by 2025
- **Food waste focus**
- Potential to make **FOGO mandatory**



# Kerbside diversion rate



# Why is FOGO diversion so important?

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Landfilling FOGO waste is

- Expensive
- Environmentally harmful
- Precludes us from future innovation
- Prevents us from achieving our targets/pledges

## What have we done so far?

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- Kitchen Caddy Trial (Council funded)
- Waste diversion initiatives report (grant funded)

## Proposed new FOGO service

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- Fortnightly
- Council to supply FOGO bin, caddy and bags
- All properties covered
- Extensive educational campaign

# Options for Rollout

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- Option 1 – Staged rollout
- Option 2 – Full rollout

# Option 1 – Staged rollout

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## Staged rollout - Stage 1 (2022/23)

- Caddy and bags delivered to all properties
- FOGO bin delivered to up to 10,000 properties
- Upfront cost \$704,000
- Repaid within LTFP (reduced and avoided landfill costs)

# Option 1 – Staged rollout

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## Staged rollout - Stage 2

- Stage 1 results (12mths) → Stage 2 cost estimate
- FOGO bin delivered to remaining ~19k properties

## Option 2 – Full rollout

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### Full rollout (2022/23)

- FOGO bin, caddy and bags delivered to ~29,000 properties
- Upfront cost \$1.5m
- Repayment term exceeds LTFP
- Rate impact = 0.09%



# Modelling

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## Key factors affecting costs

- Diversion rate
- Collection costs
- Grant funding (\$199k)

# Option 1 and 2 compared

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- Upfront and ongoing costs
- Standard service
- Logistics
- Innovation

# Next Steps

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Decision report 7 June 2022

# Questions?

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