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## **Make the most of your waste entitlements**

With the Melton Recycling Facility now completely reopen, Council is reminding residents and ratepayers to use their waste entitlements.

In the 2019/2020 year, less than half of all eligible City of Melton households took advantage of Council's hard waste collection or trailer load drop off entitlement.

Each financial year households with a Melton City Council waste collection service, both renters and owners, are entitled to their choice of either a hard waste collection from their house or a drop off at the Melton Recycling Facility at no additional cost.

Across our city in the last financial year, 24,293 households used this service out of about 55,000 that were eligible.

Melton City Council CEO Kelvin Tori urged residents to make the most of the entitlement this financial year.

"If you have your bins collected by Council each week, then you'll also be entitled to your choice of one hard waste collection or trailer load drop off during the financial year," Mr Tori said.

"This is included in your waste collection service so you won't need to pay anything – just ensure your items and loads meet the requirements for collection or drop off.

"We want to make sure everyone is getting the most out of Council services. Whether you're a renter or an owner, this service is here for you to use.

"Next time you're doing a big clean-up at home, consider checking whether you can drop your items off or have them collected at no additional cost to you."

Throughout November and December, City of Melton residents and ratepayers can also dispose of green waste free of charge, and year-round a number of items including recyclables and whitegoods can be dropped off for free. You will need to present photo identification showing a City of Melton address or your rates notice.

For details on how to use any of your waste entitlements, visit [melton.vic.gov.au/waste](https://melton.vic.gov.au/waste)

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Please be aware that there are some safety measures in place at the Melton Recycling Facility which may cause some delays. All customers will need to have their temperature checked and provide their contact details. Face masks are compulsory.

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