Background

Central Highlands Regional Council is reviewing its waste management strategy to comply with the Queensland Government’s Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011.

We are committed to maintain our obligation under the legislation and have begun work on a waste reduction and recycling plan.

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About the plan
We will use the plan to guide waste management in the region over the next fifteen years. It will have measurable targets to ensure we comply with our obligations, including the requirement to report on our achievements annually to the Queensland Government and our community.

What this means

Landfills
The landfills at Tieri, Blackwater, Springsure and Emerald will be maintained.

A regional landfill around Emerald or Blackwater will be established to take municipal waste. It will be properly designed and operated to comply with contemporary environmental requirements for the Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage Protection.

All existing landfills will be converted to transfer stations and continue to accept waste, which will be taken to the regional landfill for recycling and disposal.

Residential areas
There will be no change to the existing kerbside wheelie bin services.

Commercial business
Waste will be collected by contractors and disposed of to landfill.

Users of regional landfills
Landfills will continue to operate as usual. However, when the transfer stations are established some locations will have new opening hours, perimeter fencing and staff.

These changes are for public safety and operational efficiency.

Recycling
Our intention is to increase recycling that will:
• reduce the volume of waste to landfill and extend landfill life
• ensure compliance with legislation
• identify reuse strategies for recyclables and offset our waste costs

We will continue to recycle green waste for reuse as compost and process waste concrete and brick.