



Making E-waste Recovery Easier

South Gippsland Shire Council is preparing residents for the upcoming ban on e-waste in any bin or landfill as of 1 July.

E-waste is any item that has a plug, battery or cord and is unwanted. It could be any of a whole range of items from old phones, computers and household appliances to power tools and toys.

The Victorian Government has introduced the ban in an effort to recover more of the valuable material left in e-waste that can be safely recovered and reused. It will also help reduce the environmental damaged caused by the disposal of old electronic items into landfill.

Council will be accepting e-waste at all local transfer stations where it will be collected and transported for further recycling.

South Gippsland Shire Council's Sustainability Coordinator Geoff McKinnon encouraged everyone to do their bit and help make a difference.

"Since e-waste is growing up to three times faster than general waste in Australia it is time we take action and start recycling to make the most of these resources.

"Sustainability Victoria is leading the way in building a network of e-waste drop-off points across the state so that all Victorians can take their e-waste to a better place. We are happy to participate and help make a difference," said Mr McKinnon.

Those wanting to learn more about e-waste, associated fees and the nearest drop off point can visit www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/ewaste

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