

NOTICE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ORGANIC WASTE DIVERSION PLAN Notice no. 11/2022

Stellenbosch Municipality would hereby request public comment on the draft Organic Waste Diversion plan.

The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP) took a policy decision to implement a 50% restriction on organic waste being disposed to landfill by 2022 and a full prohibition of organic waste disposed to landfill by 2027. The Western Cape Integrated Waste Management Plan (IWMP) (2017-2022) puts an obligation on municipalities to divert 50% of organic waste streams away from landfill sites by 2022 and a complete ban on organic waste disposed at landfill sites by 2027.

The DEA&DP subsequently amended the conditions of authorisations (Permits/Licences) for Waste Disposal Facilities (WDFs) in the Western Cape to include diversion of organic waste. To enable this diversion the Municipality has compiled an Organic Waste Diversion Plan (OWDP) to reach these organic diversion targets. This OWDP will form part of the approved IWMP.

The OWDP has been internally reviewed and requires public comment to be finalised.

After comments have been received and incorporated, the OWDP will be finalised and presented to Council for approval.

The local community is invited to submit comments, comments must be in writing and addressed to the Municipal Manager, PO Box 17, Stellenbosch 7599, or sent to the following email address: engineering.services@stellenbosch.gov.za, clearly stating "Comments: Organic Diversion Plan".

Persons wishing to comment but cannot write $\bar{\text{will}}$ be assisted during office hours by Ms. Megan Daniels, 1st Floor, Ecclesia Building, 71 Plein Street, Stellenbosch (021 808 8248), to write down his / her comments.

The document will be available on the Municipality's website and all municipal libraries.

Closing date for comments is 3 April 2022 at 16h30.

G Mettler Municipal Manager