

Legacy Waste Has Finally Departed

The Norfolk Island Regional Council is pleased to advise that 45 containers of legacy waste has been sent out on the final Boral Barge. Some of these legacy waste streams have been stored for up to a decade waiting for the means and approvals to have them sent out for appropriate disposal in Australia.

While not all of the containers of waste were able to be sent out due to limited space on the barge it represents a significant portion and has freed up space in the Works Depot so operations can resume normally.



The legacy and operational waste streams that have been exported are detailed in the table below.

Waste Stream	Weight (kg)
Asbestos	117 400
Waste Oils	74 000
General Waste	69 300
PET Plastic	9 600
Aluminium Cans	4 500
Steel Cans	6 500

Ewaste	3 500
Chemicals	8 600
Total	293 400

The main legacy waste stream that remains to be sent out is the metals with the majority of these being car bodies and white goods. The Waste Management Centre staff are doing their best to chip away at the significant stockpile while managing the Christmas rush.

The big chunk of nearly 300t of waste being exported has been a huge step forward and also represents a significant reduction in the ocean outfall of our waste.

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