City of Melville installs its first Doggie Dunnies

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The City of Melville, Western Australia has installed its first Doggie Dunnies, which are public bins specifically designed for the disposal of dog waste in compostable bags, as part of a trial to reduce the amount of organic waste being sent to landfill.



Two of the bins have been installed at the Piney Lakes Reserve dog exercise area on Sinclair Crescent in Winthrop, while three more bins have been installed at the foreshore dog exercise area on Burke Drive in Attadale.

Mayor Gear said the Doggie Dunnies had been installed to encourage community members to dispose of dog waste in compostable bags to help the clean and green environment, which the City knows the community values.

"This trial will allow us to pick up the contents of these bins with our FOGO trucks and send for composting, which reduces the amount of organic waste being sent to landfill," said Mayor Gear.

"The Doggie Dunnies are designed so other materials cannot be placed inside them and there are clear instructions for community members on the bins.

"We provide regularly stocked compostable dog waste bags at all parks and dog exercise areas across the City and we encourage the community to use these to pick up after their pets.

"The trial will provide us with valuable information and based on its success we will look to roll out more Doggie Dunnies around the City."

Mayor Gear said the City of Melville was the first Perth metropolitan Local Government to trial and then adopt the three-bin FOGO system.

"By using the three-bin FOGO system we are able to increase recycling opportunities and substantially reduce the amount of waste going to landfill, which is a significant win for our community, environment and future sustainability," said Mayor Gear.

For more information about the bins, visit the Doggie Dunnies webpage.

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