

# City of Ryde

## Electronic Tags on Waste Bins Q & As

### What is an Electronic Tag?

- The tag used is a small round device that contains a magnetic number only
- No other information is stored on the tag
- They are not computer microchips, they are electronic bin identification tags

### What does the truck register when it lifts a bin?

- Registers a lift
- Registers the tag number of the bin lifted
- Registers the time and date of the lift
- Weighs the lift

### What information is recorded on Councils database?

- Record of the bins that have been delivered to each property
- Record of the stamped bin number and electronic tag number against the relevant property
- Record of the relevant collection zone (suburb)
- Record of the information provided above by the truck via a web link

### How is the Electronic Tag different from the Bin Number Stamped on the Bin?

- All bins produced in Australia have unique bin numbers stamped on the side of the bin. A tag is a magnetic version of a bin number.

### What information do Councils have that don't have Electronic Tags?

- Record of the bins that have been delivered to each property
- Record of the stamped bin number against the relevant property
- Record of the relevant collection zone (suburb)
- Any information provided manually by the truck driver

## **Why is Ryde Council using Electronic Tags?**

- More accurate than acquiring information manually
- If truck runs are changes the sorting of information by suburb is much easier
- Provides a check against the contractors weighbridge figures and claims for payment
- More cost effective than acquiring the information manually
- Suburb by suburb trends can be established
- Can provide feedback to residents on suburb by suburb trends in ongoing waste awareness campaigns
- Can target future waste and recycling education campaigns