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Upcoming changes to local kerbside bin collection services Tallangatta, the Mitta Valley and the Peninsula

Households in Bellbridge, Bethanga, the Mitta Valley, Tallangatta and surrounding localities are encouraged to check if their garbage and recycling services will change when Towong Shire Council completes its withdrawal from contracted bin collection arrangements in May.

Residents in localities impacted by the changes will receive information distributed by Australia Post in coming weeks. Detailed information about the changes is also available on Council's website or from our customer service team.

"While we have endeavoured to keep changes to a minimum, some modifications to collection days were necessary to achieve efficiencies for routes and to accommodate the capacity of the trucks," explained Cr David Wortmann, Towong Shire Council Mayor.

This final stage of the transition will see Council staff and trucks collecting garbage and recycling bins in the west of the Shire, including the Mitta Valley, Peninsula communities and Tallangatta, from Monday 18 May 2015. Council already collects garbage and recycling from eastern areas of the Shire.

After the initial announcement that Council intended to deliver this service using in-house resources, an extensive process was undertaken involving resident surveys, cost analysis and route modelling.

"With this in-house approach, Council will continue to provide the great-value kerbside bin collection service that our residents appreciate, with improved cost, environmental and local employment outcomes" said Cr Wortmann.

A public notice in this edition details Council's collection routes. Additional maps and further information about Council's kerbside bin collection service is available online at www.towong.vic.gov.au or by contacting Council on 02 6071 5100.