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Chance to get rid of your hard rubbish

Is that pile of hard waste in your back yard getting a bit big? Indigo Shire Council is opening up its waste transfer sites next month for residents to get rid of their hard waste for free. This will occur on 18 and 19 June at the Beechworth, Yackandandah, Chiltern, Rutherglen and Kiewa/Tangambalanga transfer sites.

However, hang on to your old analogue television sets for now. The Council is currently working on a service for the disposal of e-waste including televisions and this will be announced when arrangements are finalised in a few weeks' time.

Council's Waste Management Co-ordinator Mark Greene said the Council conducted free hard waste disposal weekends as a service to help people across the shire get rid of 'difficult' rubbish. People will need to deliver their hard waste to either Rutherglen or Beechworth, or one of three sites opened up specifically for this purpose at Chiltern, Yackandandah and Kiewa/Tangambalanga.

"Residents can get rid of white goods, scrap metal, carpets, mattresses and household and garden furniture free at any of the five sites on 18 and 19 June," he said. "And we will take car bodies and sump oil as well on this weekend, at Beechworth and Rutherglen only."

Much of this type of waste can be taken to the Beechworth and Rutherglen transfer stations at any time during the year, but it is on special weekends such as the one in June that the other three sites are opened up for the convenience of residents to take this kind of rubbish as well.

The dates and times for both days on 18 and 19 June are: Beechworth – 1pm-5pm, Diffey Road; Yackandandah – 9am-1pm, Indigo Shire Depot, Railway Avenue; Chiltern – 8am-12 noon, former transfer station, Chiltern/Rutherglen Road; Rutherglen – 1pm -5pm, Cornishtown Road; Kiewa/Tangambalanga – 9am-1pm, Kiewa Oval reserve, Kiewa East Road.

Mr Greene said it was important for residents to remember that items that will not be accepted include domestic and industrial waste, batteries, cleaning solvents, chemicals herbicides and pesticides, green waste, tyres and televisions.

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Caption: Scrap metal can be taken to any of the five transfer stations as part of this weekend. It is crushed and sold. A pile of scrap metal at the Beechworth site is being crushed this week and taken to Melbourne.

Caption: Mark Greene with the scrap metal at Beechworth Transfer Station.

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