



## **Media Release**

### **Banana Shire Council**

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#### **Banana Shire Transfer Station Reminder**

After a recent incident that occurred at one of the Shire's transfer stations, the following is a timely reminder.

Your local waste facility is in danger of catching on fire and causing considerable damage if you dispose of ash that is not completely cold before you dispose of it. Warm/hot ash is also not compatible with your plastic wheelie bin.

Ensure that any ashes or burnt material that you are throwing away are cold all the way through before taking them to your local facility or putting them in your general waste wheelie bin. Soak your ash and leave it for a few days to dry out.

A container of ash may feel cold on the outside but the centre is often warm enough that, when disposed of in the bins at the waste facility or in your wheelie bin, reignite and cause a fire.

At your local waste facility, follow the directions of on-site staff when you want to dispose of your ash.

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**MEDIA NOTE: For further information or media comment, contact Ron Carige, Mayor on 0448 011 814.**