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• Bryton Toh sells these waste dehydrators from a shop in Ascot. By reducing food waste to a fraction of its original size, they limit the amount of waste being sent to landfill.

# Dry up, that's rubbish

by **TRILOKESH CHANMUGAM**

ENCOURAGING households to dehydrate food scraps might be a solution to an unpleasant choice between burying mountains of trash or incinerating it.

By sucking all the moisture out of organic waste, a Korean invention called Smart Cara reduces organic waste to 10 percent of its volume, leaving a powdery waste product.

In Korea where regulations are a bit more lax than Australia, some people feed the waste to animals.

Small business owner Bryton

Toh started selling the device from his plumbing supply store in Ascot and hopes that Smart Cara, which is all the rage in Korea, will catch on in WA.

### Incinerating

Vincent council recently started looking at incinerating its waste instead of sending it to landfill, but Mr Toh reckons that even if incineration proves to be safe, it's important to reduce the amount of rubbish being picked up by councils because transporting it has an environmental impact.

He thinks Smart Cara has one-upped composting, because

it can handle high-protein waste products like bones and shells, and because it doesn't need a backyard can be used by people in apartments.

"We want to try tell people not to send waste to landfill or burn it ... if council can make some incentive for making less waste, that will be a good thing," Mr Toh says.

"The whole idea of this is to do it at the source, because then people take responsibility for their waste."

Some councils offer composting incentives, so Mr Toh hopes they'll also get behind Smart Cara by subsidising the \$1000 unit.

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## Community Options Workshop for Maylands Waterland

Following the workshop held on 17 November 2016, the Community Options Workshop is an opportunity for the community to refine the draft options developed by the community and identify the options the community would like to be presented to Council.

**Where:** Embleton Room, Civic Centre, 61 Broun Avenue, Morley  
**Date:** Saturday, 10 December 2016  
**Time:** 9am to 12:30pm

**To register for the workshop:**  
Type this shortened URL into your browser and complete the online form:  
<https://goo.gl/xbCj4e>

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