

Tips when discussing food waste with staff

Informing staff about the Food Waste Reduction project and the food waste reduction target.

1. When speaking of 'food waste', frame it as a 'valuable resource' as opposed to waste.
2. Share the food waste target set by your organisation.
3. Share the interventions that will be trialled at your site to help achieve the target reduction.
4. Highlight any resources or other ways that your site will support staff to engage in food waste reduction.
5. Emphasise that all staff regardless of their roles has a part to play even if they are not directly involved. This can include:
 - Asking others how the project is going.
 - Being aware of new systems being implemented or changed so that you can help support the changes being made.
 - Offering to help with 1 or more aspects of the project if you have extra time
6. Even if staff have limited time available, emphasis that small actions can help the project's success. Examples include:
 - Conduct some in person resident satisfaction surveys.
 - Help residents to vote for their preferred 'resident choice' dish.
 - Check a resident's nutritional profile is updated if you are aware of a change.