

My Single-use Plastics Plan

Use this template to help plan how you will phase out single-use plastics. Contact the Shire's waste team for assistance with identifying suitable alternatives.

Plastic Items	Alternative	Actions to discontinue plastic use	Who will lead?	When?
Example: Plastic Wrap	Reusable storage containers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Donate unopened plastic wrap to retirement centres.• Purchase reusable containers	General Manager	01/01/2020

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Why do we need a single-use plastics policy?

Council has committed to sending zero waste to landfill by 2030. Part of this vision is the phasing out of problematic single-use plastics with reusables, and where this is not possible, certified compostable/biodegradable alternatives. By working together, we can have a huge impact on reducing single-use plastics. Every action counts!

Items we're phasing out	Best alternatives	Other good alternatives
All plastic bags	No plastic bags are supplied, and customers are encouraged to BYO reusable bags.	Reusable cloth bags; cardboard boxes; paper bags
Straws	Remove straws from display and provide reusable straws upon request.	Paper straws *Note: Please keep some plastic straws in storage for customers with accessibility requirements.
Cutlery, crockery and drinkware	Use reusable cutlery, crockery and dinnerware, and encourage dining in.	FSC home compostable (paper, sugarcane or wood pulp) products. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bamboo or wooden cutlery
Takeaway containers	Encourage BYO containers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use home compostable (paper, cardboard, wood pulp or sugarcane) products Paper or aluminium containers Reusable containers that can be returned/refunded Glass jars
Stirrers	Do not provide drink stirrers. If requested, offer a reusable teaspoon.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wooden or paper stirrer (FSC certified) Bamboo stirrers
Condiments and sachets	Do not provide. Dispense sauces, salt and sugar from refillable containers. Allow customers to access dispensers for take away.	
Balloons	Use reusable decorations, like paper lanterns.	Bubbles for entertainment
Bottled water	Free drinking water must be provided where there is access. Display a water jug and reusable cups, or signs that offer to refill drink bottles for free.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offer reusable cups Sell reusable bottle
Plastic cling wrap	Wrap in compostable or recyclable packaging (paper or foil) when sold.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Display and store food in airtight containers. Silicone food covers
Merchandise	Give experiences	Buy local reusable items
Coffee cups and lids (takeaway)	Dine in or BYO reusable cups only. Do not offer disposable cups.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Return to store system where customers can subscribe to a 'cup library' membership and returned to store Industrially compostable lids and cups¹

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