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Subject: reduce, recycle, reuse now so our kids have a future

RE: INQUIRY INTO RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

Victoria needs a recycling industry and clear communication to residents about how to collect and store recyclables to ensure that materials are recycled efficiently.

I believe there is a willingness in the community to put more effort into both reducing waste and recycling materials. People are clearly willing to separate, store and return soft plastics to grocery stores and collection points.

I'd like to see a plastic and glass bottle recycling scheme in place. I'd also like to see subsidies or education provided to manufacturers to encourage them to cut back on their packaging ad/or to build waste management into their manufacturing practices.

I'd also like to see Government funding of feasibility studies and best practice recommendations. Would it be feasible to return to packaging milk in re-useable bottles? Could beer be packaged in in re-useable bottles? Should manufacturers be required to use materials and plastics that are more easily recycled.

We need effective action now because we already face a massive problem of plastics and waste polluting our environment. The time to act is now.

-- Kelly-Anne Twist

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I'm happy for my submission and details to be made public.