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RE: INQUIRY INTO RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

As individuals we can refuse, reuse, repurpose and reduce the use of packaging materials - we can't recycle it. And there will be an increasing need for that service in order for us to reduce our emissions and impact on the planet.

We need to encourage innovative development in the recycling industry - and our government needs to ensure that it represents the needs of the people it serves by providing significant investment to kick off the industry and help deal with the waste problem we now face.

I would like to see the banning of single use plastic, when it causes unnecessary waste. We should be setting up a deposit scheme for bottles and cans- like there was in my day. I remember collecting bottles and cans from the creek and raising, what I thought was significant money, whilst cleaning up and reusing valuable materials.

The crisis affects us all, and future generations most of all. Surely we can do much better!

-- Richard Telford

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