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Hello,

As per part 1: I believe the Victorian Government has a responsibility to assist in regulation of the waste management industry. Local Council uses the waste management industry to manage their municipal waste, and as such is not an un-biased party for regulation purposes. Long term legislation must include waste receivers of municipal waste included in the Environment Protection: Scheduled premises regulations (or it's 2020 equivalent with EPA's new Act).

As per part 3d: The reason we have a waste management problem is mainly because we generate too much waste in the first place. As a state, a country and a global population we need to be removing packaging from items that do not require packaging for specific hygiene purposes (eg hospital equipment). My child's Barbie doll does not need to come in a cardboard box, with plastic windows, and more plastic tying her in there. When I buy scissors from the shops. I should not need a pair of scissors to cut open the plastic that is trapping the scissors I'm purchasing inside.

We can talk about waste management strategies which manage the output of our waste problem all we like, and implement all of them (like making roads/play equipment etc out of recycled material). But until we actually manage the main problem, which is the fact that our over consumption of resources generates too much waste in the first place, we won't solve this very fixable problem.

All the best in generating your report, and I hope you don't get too focused on the output when the input is where you'll have the best chance of solving the problem.

Regards

Jemma Crawford

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