

Derbyshire County Council's draft Single Use Plastic Policy

Derbyshire County Council will act to remove and reduce the use of Single Use Plastic from its operations and services as well as working towards finding positive solutions for reducing unnecessary waste across Derbyshire.

A SUP action plan will be developed to support the implementation and monitoring of this policy. The action plan will be regularly reviewed and updated.

Derbyshire County Council will:

(i) Lead by example

- Embed the SUP policy into other key Council strategies, policies and plans and support officers to:
 - Understand the acceptable price differential when procuring alternatives to SUPs by providing guidance on the value of sustainability when procuring alternatives
 - Recognise and avoid buying and using SUPs across Council buildings and services
 - Seek more sustainable alternatives to SUPs
 - Ensure that SUPs which are procured have a recycled content of at least 30% and / or can themselves be recycled

(ii) Work with our suppliers and contractors

- Highlight the avoidance of SUPs in the Council's Sustainable Procurement Policy
- Request that suppliers have a SUP policy in place or can demonstrate that they are working to minimise the use of SUP's in their organisation and are finding sustainable alternatives (where appropriate)
- Embed requirements for the reduction of SUP in procurement and tender processes for the Council

(iii) Support the avoidance of SUPs across Derbyshire

- Work with event organisers to reduce and eliminate where possible SUPs across all Derbyshire events held on Council land and property and share guidance for this more widely
- Continue to support local communities and businesses by sharing best practice, raising awareness, supporting and promoting positive initiatives, campaigns and actions for reducing waste

This policy will be reviewed every three years.

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