

To consider the following motion, notice of which has been duly given in accordance with Procedure Rule No. 4.12.1 by Councillors Marie Bailey, Paul Turner, Chris Cooke, Samuel Smith and Robert Pritchard

Tamworth Borough Council is concerned by the scourge of plastic pollution.

It recognises the large impact that plastic pollution has on the environment with between 4.8 and 12.7 million tonnes of plastic entering the ocean each year. The authority believes it is the responsibility of all to combat plastic pollution.

We welcome the talks between the government, businesses, environmental groups, scientists and civil society on shaping a legally-binding global treaty that aims to end plastic pollution by 2040.

The motion recommends that this authority:

- Work towards the elimination of the use of landfill for waste disposal
- Ensure that in public spaces are clean and free of plastic waste.
- Support education initiatives to better inform the public on how to use recycling facilities and the importance of eliminating plastic waste.
- Facilitate the cooperation of local businesses, residents and local authorities to work together on the elimination of plastic pollution and reduce the use of plastic in Tamworth.

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