

21 APR 2004

Mr. Tony Wood,
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21 April, 2004
Dear Mr Wood,

Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan 2004

Part 2 Action plan

You and your team have produced a wide ranging and helpful document. It focused clearly on the problems and is positive in its solution seeking. As it is a draft, I would like to add a few minor points for your consideration.

6.1.1.(d)

For the kerb side collection trial, suggest you ask people to wrap each day's kitchen wastes in a couple of sheets of newspaper. This package is compostable and alleviates the problem of Monday's offering being too offensive by Saturday's collection date.

6.2.4.

Politicians must always be involved in prevailing on manufacturers to stop the externalising the costs of disposing of their packaging. Suggest that an excellent text you may care to look at in this respect is:

Bronx Ecology by Allen Hershkowitz. Island Press. ISBN 1559 638548

6.2.6.

Consider the placement of skips in strategic spots in Autumn, for those households who may not have cars and trailers but will have wheelbarrows.

6.3.5.

Consider fabricating compost bin components from recycled wood, outlet at the Super Shed. Information on composting could go with each bin.

6.5.

Support the concept that people who sell products, which become toxic wastes, assume responsibility for collecting them.

6.6

I personally feel this target is not enough. Suggest 75% at least

Note also that the Greenhouse gases will be generated (with some variation in makeup) where ever the wastes are located.

6.6.3

I was concerned with the misinformation circulated during the Kate Valley appeal. I am sure many of the objectors had never visited the site. The whole topic was not helped by media imbalance which worked on the principle that controversy was news.

6.6.7

Generally, it pays to eschew jargon.

What is Triple Bottom Line reporting?

Best wishes for a successful conclusion to your work.

Kind regards,

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