

Motion to Council
23 July 2019
Subject Plastic free July
Proposer Councillor Osborn
Seconded Councillor Grahame

Item
8(d)

Amendments from **Councillor Maguire** have been received.

Councillor Maguire is amending the motion as follows:-

Inserting “**including through One Planet Norwich**” after “**and thereafter**” in resolution (1)

Inserting “**continue working with responsible partner**” at the beginning of resolution (1b) and replacing “**set SMART targets**” with “**investigate the setting of appropriate SMART targets**”

Replacing “**carry out**” with “**continue**” in resolution (2)

Inserting “**within the restriction of the Landlord and Tenant Act**” after “**street traders**” in resolution (3)

Inserting “**continue to**” after “**ask cabinet to**” in resolution (5)

Inserting “**continue to**” at the beginning of resolution (6)

Inserting “**through the City Vision agenda**” after “**can be supported**” in resolution (7)

Inserting “**consider**” at the beginning of resolution (8), amending “**establish**” to “**establishing**”, replacing “**or**” with “**and continue to**” and inserting “**through ongoing assistance by our community enabling team**” at the end of resolution (8)

So that the revised motion becomes:-

The world’s annual consumption of plastic materials has increased from around 5 million tonnes in the 1950s to nearly 100 million tonnes today.

In 2016, this council committed to become a ‘single-use-plastic-free’ authority by the end of 2017. Since then, the dangers of plastic pollution have been shown to be even more harmful than previously known.

The impact of plastic waste is a burden on the city; flytipping and litter affect our communities.

Norwich now has two zero-waste shops, and Plastic-Free July offers an opportunity to join a growing movement of forward-thinking councils and organisations avoiding plastic.

Council **RESOLVES** to:

- (1) support Plastic-Free July in 2020 and thereafter, including through One Planet Norwich by actively promoting the initiative to discourage plastic use, including with the business community and partners, including:
 - a) holding workshops and events; and
 - b) continue working with responsible partners engaging the public and business communities in bin audits before, during and after Plastic-Free July to identify how much and which types of plastic are currently being used, raise awareness, and investigate the setting of appropriate SMART targets to reduce this waste
- (2) continue bin audits in council buildings to identify how much and which types of plastic are currently being used, and set SMART targets to reduce the waste of these items ahead of Plastic-Free July 2020;
- (3) support market and street traders, within the restrictions of the Landlord and Tenant Act to end the supply of disposable plastics, and ask the cabinet to investigate the potential to introduce a Norwich equivalent of the “Freiburg Cup”, a reusable cup that can be returned for a small deposit to any participating business, to support market traders and other businesses in the transition away from single-use plastics, and to promote Norwich Market as a plastic-free market;
- (4) ask cabinet to investigate establishing a “Plastic-Free Zone” programme that businesses can sign up to, to show that they avoid plastic where possible;
- (5) ask cabinet to continue to assess what more can be done to phase out plastics in procurement for Norwich City Council;
- (6) continue to work with partners to end plastic waste in events in Norwich, such as the Lord Mayor’s Parade and Run Norwich;
- (7) ask cabinet to investigate how businesses that actively seek to reduce plastic waste can be supported, through the City Vision agenda, and work with partners including the New Anglia LEP and Norfolk Chambers of Commerce to achieve this; and
- (8) consider establishing regular repair cafés; and continue to support community groups to do so, through ongoing assistance by our community enabling team.