



PLASTIC REDUCTION WORKING PARTY (PRWP)

Purpose: To examine the options available to reduce avoidable single-use plastic in Exmouth in order to make Exmouth a more environmentally-friendly and environmentally-aware town through reducing, reusing and recycling.

Membership: The Working Party will be made up of no less than three Exmouth Town Councillors, with an option to co-opt non-voting members of the public (with relevant experience).

Outside organisations which are invited to give presentations or attend as members of the Working Party must be relevant i.e. have links to environmentally-friendly groups.

Quorum: Three members

Power: Litter Act 1983

Delegated Authority: No

1. Terms

- 1.1. The Council's Standing Orders apply to all meetings of the Working Party.
- 1.2. The Working Party shall be appointed on an annual basis at the Annual Meeting of the Town Council.
- 1.3. The first order of business of the first meeting of the Working Party after its annual appointment will be to elect a Chairman.
- 1.4. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Council shall be Ex-officio, non-voting members of the Working Party.
- 1.5. The Working Party will meet monthly. Additional meetings will be arranged as required.
- 1.6. Meetings shall not be open to the public unless the Committee feels it appropriate to include the press and public for specific items.
- 1.7. Members of the Working Party will receive an agenda and supporting papers in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.
- 1.8. Notice of meetings and minutes will be published in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.

2. Responsibilities

- 2.1. To work towards an externally-recognised accreditation e.g. Surfers Against Sewage - 'Single-use Plastic-free' town.
- 2.2. To consider how Exmouth Town Council can engage with stakeholders, businesses, residents and visitors to:
 - increase education about the impact of plastic waste
 - reduce plastic consumption
 - remove plastic that has entered the natural environment
 - recycle or dispose of used plastic appropriately
- 2.3. To consider how Exmouth Town Council can promote increased awareness of recycling schemes, by working with East Devon District Council and Devon County Council in their capacity as the respective collection and waste disposal authorities for East Devon.
- 2.4. Demonstrate leadership by ensuring that Exmouth Town Council is committed to eliminating single use plastics within its own premises and at its own events.
- 2.5. To have regard to DCC's Waste Prevention and Re-use Strategy 2017 (and any other relevant EDDC / DCC strategic policies).
- 2.6. To monitor progress on the delivery of the Neighbourhood Plan Action Points CFA9 and CFA10, making recommendations to Full Council in respect of the timely delivery of the Action Plan as appropriate.

Adopted by Exmouth Town Council on 13th May 2019.