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I'm writing with good news: NSW is phasing out single-use plastics.

Exactly four years ago in Beecroft and further afield in Hornsby Shire, we took a stand to reduce plastic waste. Bag-Free Beecroft began, and so did the sewing group which continues to this day. I think we can take a little bit of the credit for helping create the momentum and community sentiment against waste which has given the government the courage to act.

From the ABC news article:

Straws, stirrers, cotton buds and polystyrene cups will be phased out 12 months after legislation is passed, with a review on plastic cups, heavy bags and fruit stickers to be carried out within three years. A rollout of green plastic bins and an education program on disposing food and organic waste will also be funded as part of the \$365 million, five-year strategy.

The rest of the article [is here](#).

So great news, which you helped make happen.

Warmest thanks - this is a huge win for our neighbourhoods, wildlife and oceans.

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PS - I'm meeting with Arnies Recon later this month. They save stuff from going to landfill. My aim is to see how we can start reducing broken electrical items ending up in landfill.

Good memories from 2017!





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