

The Standing Council on Environment and Water,  
 C/- The Honorable Senator Mr .Don Farrell,  
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 Parliament House,  
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Dear Sir,

I would like for you to consider in depth the recycling of all things that can be recycled. In the past nothing was recycled and many a farm and surrounds were full of these recyclable items

One of the most frequent tossed aside recyclable item is plastic containers and aluminium cans

As a Reg. Nurse I travel a lot and I cannot get over how people toss rubbish anywhere and anyhow. I know if a container had a refund benefit, I am sure many would return these for a refund, as there a lot of people out there who have very few means. Apart from the monetary value they could receive, it also encourages people to exercise more as they gathered the containers as well as the pyschological and physical bcnefits, which are many

One does not change people,s habits by giving them instructions, it is generally a WIIFM [whats in it for me] and one would think this would be a great encouragement to return and pick up that which is recylable, achieving better health at the same time. The benefits apart, are the saving of air pollution by not having to mine raw products Saving cost of land fill and provision for same and maintenance.

Saving costs to councils in not having to do collections of same, thus not causing pollution in doing so..

Reduces the amount of containers blocking drains floating down water ways, causing a general mess as well as being unsightly.

There is a cost benefit to the community for those that now raise money for charities. It is very successful in S,A, and now the N,T has adapted the refund scheme.

I am very much against taxing /charging the public for this cost as if the refund scheme is introduced, there will no need to do that, one can recall when bottles had a return for cash, there were very few bottles left around and the children picked up any left to enable them to have as pockct money, sometimes even a needed drink or food. THERE SHOULD NOT BE A COST TO THE PUBLIC, the companies who sell the product should have it stamped on the container as I, m sure they would involve it in their costs. There are too many costs to the general public now.

I sec many a person who is just surviving monetary wise and would be glad to have the opportunity to have a little more petty cash.

Also it would create jobs for commercial recylcers .

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