

PLASTICWISE INDIGO

PLASTIC ALTERNATIVES

AT EVENTS

Swap this plastic:	For this:	Or this:
Bottled water	Request loan of north east water's water trailer; or hire temporary water fountains.	Fill up large containers with water and provide reusable cups or reusable water bottles
Takeaway coffee cups	Ceramic mugs that are returned and washed	Compostable cups without lids
Styrofoam food containers	Paper or cardboard food packaging that is collected for recycling	Compostable food packaging that is collected and composted.
Plastic cutlery	Metal cutlery that is returned and washed	Wooden cutlery Compostable bio-plastic (if collected for composting)
Plastic stirrers	Spoons that are returned and washed	Wooden disposable stirrer
Plastic bags	Boomerang or other reusable cloth bags	

AT WORK

Swap this plastic:	For this:	Or this:
Takeaway containers	Bring your own lunch box	Dine in
Cling wrap	Beeswax wraps	Sandwich containers
Plastic bin liners	Less bin liners: remove bins from individual work stations	Biodegradable liners
Takeaway coffee cups	BYO reusable coffee cup	
Plastic or lined paper cups used in meetings	Real glasses or mugs that are washed up	
Hi-vis bunting flags	High vis rope barriers or bollard	
Plastic tree guards	Cardboard tree guards	
Multiple small bottles of cleaning or weed chemicals	Larger containers that are decanted into reusable and labelled spray bottles	
Toilet paper packaging	Look for toilet paper wrapped in recycled paper	

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AT HOME

Swap this plastic:	For this:	Or this:
Bin liner	Line your bin with newspaper	Compostable bin liners
Deodorant, toothpaste and cleaning products	Make your own, various recipes on the internet	
Coffee cup (lid)	Take your own cup	Dine in Ask for no lid
Gladwrap/cling film	Reusable food wraps (e.g. Beeswax)	Reusable containers with lids
Nappies	Reusable cloth nappies	
Pasta etc, dry goods	Buy in bulk, taking your own containers	Look for products in cardboard packaging
Plastic drink bottle	Reusable drink bottle	
Plastic straws	Your lips!	Paper or metal straw
Feminine hygiene products	Menstrual cups	Period-proof underwear
Shampoo	Solid bar shampoo	Buy in bulk using your own container
Toilet paper packaging	Look for toilet paper wrapped in recycled paper	
Toothbrush	Wooden toothbrush	
Takeaway containers	Take your own reusable containers	Dine in