

MOORABOOL SHIRE COUNCIL

The Hon Lily D'Ambrosio
Minister for Energy, Environment & Climate Change
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The Hon Natalie Hutchins Minister for Local Government Level 27, 1 Spring Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Dear Minister D'Ambrosio and Minister Hutchins,

Implementation of Container Deposit Legislation for Victoria

Victoria's population growth means an increase in the amount of litter on our roadsides and waste produced, and although much is recovered we still send considerable valuable material to landfills each year.

As you would be aware, container deposit legislation has been successfully implemented in South Australia and the Northern Territory, with South Australia reporting an overall return rate of 76.5%. It is noted that the New South Wales Government has also announced its commitment to commencing a container deposit scheme, and the Queensland Government is investigating similar.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday 5 April, litter, waste treatment, disposal and recovery and the link to container deposit legislation was discussed.

Council strongly encourages the implementation of such legislation in Victoria, supported by the objectives of both the National Waste Policy and Statewide Waste & Resource Recovery Plan to reduce litter, increase resource recovery and reduce waste going to landfill.

It would be appreciated if you could advocate for the introduction of container legislation in Victoria.

Yours sincerely,

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