

Pwyllgor Newid Hinsawdd, yr Amgylchedd a Seilwaith /
Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee
Bil drafft Diogelu'r Amgylchedd (Cynhyrchion Plastig Untro) (Cymru)/
Draft Environmental Protection (Single-use Plastic Products)(Wales) Bill
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Ymateb gan / Evidence from Big Blue Ocean Cleanup

Dear Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee,

Please see below my answers.

- Whether a Bill is needed to introduce a ban on commonly littered single-use plastic items;
Yes I would agree that a bill is needed to ban commonly littered single-use plastics, we fully support this.
- The advantages and disadvantages of using a Bill rather than secondary legislation to introduce a ban;
As we have seen with global publicity of the damages to the environment from single use plastics, the problem is still there and growing. There is only advantages of this bill and see very little damages.
- Whether the provisions of the draft Bill will deliver the policy intention;
It would need to be implemented to make real change than just a provision bill.
- Whether there are any potential barriers to the implementation of the draft Bill's provisions (including the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020);
N/A
- Whether the powers in the draft Bill for Welsh Ministers to make subordinate legislation are appropriate;
N/A
- Whether there are any unintended consequences arising from the draft Bill;
There needs to be a way for companies that have to use single-use plastics to offset them using a plastic offsetting service. This is very important as some industry's including healthcare, care and education do need single-use plastics.
- The financial implications of the draft Bill (including for businesses and consumers).
The change will be good and opportunities will arise from this bill which help the environment.