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Good afternoon,

I haven't yet had a chance to read the report so may be repeating what is already there.

My suggestions are as follows:

1. That bins for plastic bottles and cans be added to those areas that already have large bins for bottles and clothes. Even small ones so that when people are visiting such areas they are reminded that these are highly valued recyclable products. I think there are ones for cans already but don't know if these are widespread.
2. That solar compressing bins for only plastic bottles be placed beside the general ones already in existence.
3. I believe that plastic can't be indefinitely recycled therefore I think it would be put to better use if reverted back to oil as even though this is not a green product, we are still very much using it and at least it will be produced from recycling. Please see <https://www.bbc.com/news/av/business-43418391>
4. The government should ban plastic bottles under a certain size to be replaced by localised glass bottling as opposed to having heavy glass bottles transported. Advertising should accompany this recommending the lack of need for constantly drinking water on the hoof which is not entirely healthy (too much water flushes nutrients out of the system) and promote and provide water refilling stations for reusable containers or just water fountains e.g. in Rome everyone fills up their bottles from the fountains.

With kind regards

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