

SCRUTINY REVIEW – ONE PAGE STRATEGY

Broad topic area	Environment/Waste
Specific topic area	Single-use plastics (SUPs)
Ambitions for the review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand the current progress towards the elimination of SUPs within County Council managed buildings and facilities, including any promotional campaigns. • To understand the technical impact of different plastics on the environment. • To explore SUP initiatives at other county councils. • To work with and learn from local district councils on their SUP initiatives. • To understand how to effectively engage and enable Council partners, schools and the public to reduce their use of SUPs, taking account of projects run by ‘Surfers Against Sewage’: https://www.sas.org.uk/about-us/
How do we perform at the moment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have eliminated a significant amount of SUP from catering services contracts within Shire Hall, and the external school’s catering contract; • There is ongoing work with tenants on the rural estate, the wider farming community and major framework contractors in construction to reduce/eliminate the use of SUPs. • The Joint Waste Team has focused on reducing SUPs through promotional campaigns.
Who and how should we consult?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilities and Joint Waste Management • Procurement • District councils <p>And any other department at GCC that may become relevant through further research.</p>
Background information	<p>At a meeting of full Council in March 2018, a motion was unanimously carried to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eliminate all SUP within County Council managed buildings and facilities by 2020, and seek to encourage the elimination of SUP within its supply chain by 2025. • Ask the Gloucestershire Joint Waste Partnership to consider how they could promote the reduction of SUP across the county and to highlight areas of further lobbying to central government by both collection and waste disposal authorities.
Support	Sophie Benfield – Democratic Services
How long will it take?	6 months from approval
Outcomes	<p>To produce recommendations that enables the Council to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) complete its initial commitment to eliminate all SUP within County Council managed buildings and facilities by 2020, and within its supply chain by 2025; and b) better promote the elimination of SUPs within the county as a whole.