

Single-use plastics ban New legislation is coming in October 2023*

*Subject to Parliamentary approval



The law on **single-use plastic** is changing

From October 2023, (subject to Parliamentary approval) new laws on single-use plastic come into force. From this date the following single-use items will be banned in England.

- **Plastic cutlery**
- **Plastic plates, trays, bowls***
- **Plastic balloon sticks**
- **Certain types of single-use expanded and extruded polystyrene cups and food containers***

The ban on items will include all types of single-use plastic including biodegradable, compostable and recycled, and items wholly or partly made from plastic, including the coating or lining.

A ban on single-use plastic straws*, cotton buds and stirrers is already in place in England.

*Exemptions apply



How you can help

This is our chance to help businesses think differently about disposable items and shift from single-use to **#Reuse**. There are very few good alternative options available for replacing single-use plastic with sustainable disposable options. We would always advise removing these items completely or moving to reusable alternatives where possible.

To help you in your communications with businesses, we've provided this detailed toolkit for you to share on your channels.

Please use and adapt the copy on your own social media channels, web content and email marketing.

More information on the ban is available at <https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban> and you can download the PlasticFreeGM factsheets at <http://www.plasticfreegm.com/> which have been updated to reflect the forthcoming changes to legislation.

















Thank you for your support.



Social media posts





1. General awareness post (1)



				
Organic post	<p>Are you ready for the #SingleUsePlastic ban?</p> <p>From October 2023 a ban will be implemented on the supply of a range of single-use plastics like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  plates  bowls  cutlery <p>Find out what this means for your business: https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM</p>	<p>Are you ready for the #SingleUsePlastic ban?</p> <p>From October 2023 a ban will be implemented on the supply of a range of single-use plastics like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  plates  bowls  cutlery <p>Find out what this means for your business: https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM @GMGreenCity</p>	<p>Are you ready for the #SingleUsePlastic ban?</p> <p>From October 2023 a ban will be implemented on the supply of a range of single-use plastics like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  plates  bowls  cutlery <p>Find out what this means for your business on our website (link in bio)</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM @GMGreenCity</p>	<p>Are you ready for the #SingleUsePlastic ban?</p> <p>From October 2023 a ban will be implemented on the supply of a range of single-use plastics like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  plates  bowls  cutlery <p>Already banned items include single-use plastic straws (exemptions apply), cotton buds and stirrers.</p> <p>Find out what this means for your business: https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM @GMGreenCity</p>

















2. General awareness post (2)



				
Organic post	<p>The #SingleUsePlastic ban is coming soon 📢</p> <p>Make sure your business is ready.</p> <p>From October 2023, new laws on #SingleUsePlastic come into force in England.</p> <p>Find out how you can go from single-use ➡ #Reuse.</p> <p>https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM</p>	<p>The #SingleUsePlastic ban is coming soon 📢</p> <p>Make sure your business is ready.</p> <p>From October 2023, new laws on #SingleUsePlastic come into force in England.</p> <p>Find out how you can go from single-use ➡ #Reuse.</p> <p>https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM @GMGreenCity</p>	<p>The #SingleUsePlastic ban is coming soon 📢</p> <p>Make sure your business is ready.</p> <p>From October 2023, new laws on #SingleUsePlastic come into force in England.</p> <p>Find out how you can go from single-use ➡ #Reuse.</p> <p>https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban</p> <p>Links are available in organic Instagram posts - replace with (link in bio) OR Find out more on the @GMGreenCity website.</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM @GMGreenCity</p>	<p>The #SingleUsePlastic ban is coming soon 📢</p> <p>Make sure your business is ready.</p> <p>From October 2023, new laws on #SingleUsePlastic come into force in England.</p> <p>If your business uses single-use plastic items such as cutlery, plates, trays and bowls, you will need to make a change. Find out how you can go from single-use ➡ #Reuse.</p> <p>https://gmgreencity.com/singleuseplasticban</p> <p>#PlasticFreeGM @GMGreenCity</p>





3. Specific item post (1) - Plastic plates, trays, bowls



				
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4. Specific item post (2) - Plastic cutlery



				
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5. Specific item post (3) - Polystyrene cups and food containers

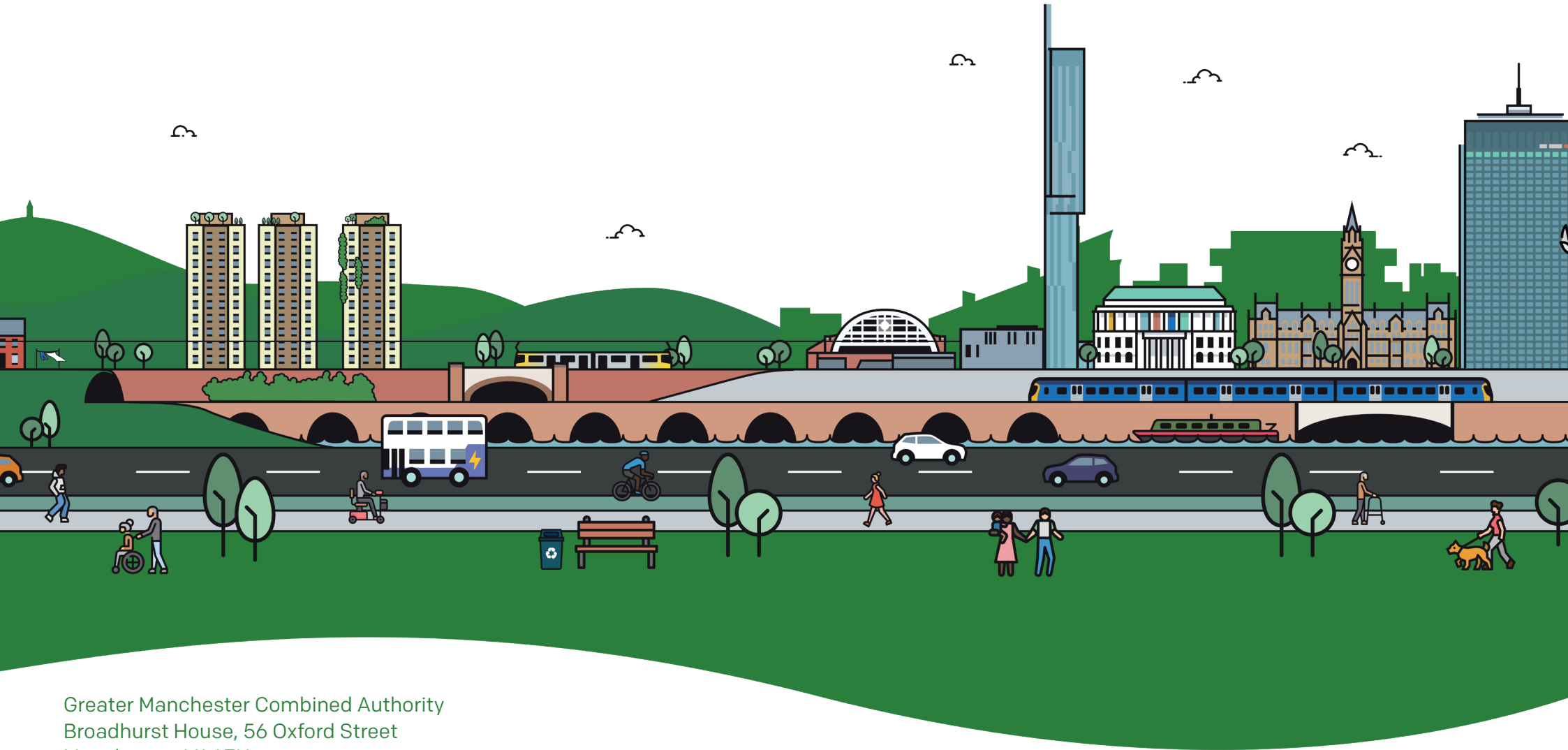


				
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