

# Proposals for implementing and enforcing a ban in Wales on the manufacture and sale of cosmetics and personal care products containing plastic microbeads

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## Page 2: General Questions

Please choose which of these best represent you: (tick one only)

Environmental non Government Organisation

Do you agree with our understanding of potential impacts on businesses in Wales?

Yes

Do you agree that Trading Standards are the most appropriate body to enforce a ban on microbeads?

Yes

Do you agree this enforcement regime and the approach is reasonable and proportionate?

Yes

If not, why?

Comment: if only WG would take such a robust approach to farm pollution which may be a more serious problem

Do you agree with the level of variable monetary penalties?

Yes

Do you agree with the proposals for the appeals mechanism?

Yes

### Page 3: Further questions

We would like to know your views on the effects that banning rinse-off products containing plastic microbeads would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English. What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

Saving the planet from whatever threat is surely not something focused around any particular language, whether it be Welsh, English Spanish or Portuguese. I am sure it would be possible to speak in any of these tongues no matter what shampoo is used

Please also explain how you believe the proposed policy could be formulated or changed so as to have positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language, and no adverse effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

Guys....its not a language thing, OK

We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues which we have not specifically addressed, please use this space to report them:

To repeat an earlier comment that it is good to see that WG can mount a robust challenge and deliver something positive regarding Microbeads is great while many of the rivers of Wales are being poisoned and polluted daily with farm effluents over many decades and next to nothing is being done

### Page 4: Submit your response

You are about to submit your response. Please ensure you are satisfied with the answers you have provided before sending.

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