

## Stallholder Sustainability Information

We are committed to improving the sustainability of events organised and conducted within our city. Council's Sustainable Events Management Policy requires all event organisers and stallholders to consider ways to minimise waste to landfill, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reduce water consumption.

This Sustainable Events Management Policy also encourages food stallholders to provide food and drink options that have a low environmental impact. These include healthy eating options, local, seasonal produce, Fair Trade and/or certified organic products. When selecting food stallholders for Council events, preference is given to applicants who provide these options.

In addition, all food stallholders must adhere to the following conditions:

- Plastic bags are not to be supplied - biodegradable and reusable bags will be accepted.
- Do not use polystyrene products
- Do not use or supply balloons
- Avoid and reduce unnecessary packaging
- Do not use plastic straws or plastic stirrers (not readily recyclable due to their size)
- Dispose of all waste generated by your stall off site. Please note that stall holders are not permitted to use the waste facilities provided for patrons
- Take all excess fluids including wastewater and oil off site
- Use only reusable, compostable or recyclable serving ware (see over page for more information)

### Sustainable serving ware

**Reusable serving ware** - event organisers may choose to provide reusable plates, cups and utensils with refundable deposits. To ensure safety to event patrons, please do not use glass products.



**Compostable serving ware** - compostable items are natural materials such as paper, cardboard, cornstarch and bamboo which will break down to form a natural compost product.

*Council's preference is to use compostable serving ware* as it allows food waste and serving ware to be disposed of together into the composts bins provided, rather than having to separate the food waste and serving ware into different bins.



Items pictured: PLA lined paper cup, cardboard cup carry tray, sugarcane plate, cardboard clam, serviettes, paper bag, sugarcane bowl, cornstarch bowl, sugarcane cutlery

**Recyclable serving ware** - Recyclable products are those which can be reused to make new products. This is great for our environment as it reduces waste to landfill and the use of raw materials and energy to make products from scratch.

Recyclable serving ware products include rigid plastic food containers and lids, drink bottles, plastic cutlery and plastic cups. Rigid plastics are those which after being scrunched return back to their original shape.

Recyclable serving ware must be cleared of food waste prior to disposal in the recycle bin. For this reason, it is preferable for stall holders to source compostable serving ware alternatives that allow food waste and serving ware to be disposed of together in the compost bins by patrons.

### What are the benefits to stallholders?

Stallholders who opt to use sustainable serving ware alternatives often experience a competitive edge. In addition, stallholders may also decrease costs by reducing the range of serving ware materials purchased.