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<b>Do you agree with the proposed mandatory phase out of the sale or distribution of single-use plastic shopping bags in New Zealand, including those made of degradable (eg, oxo-degradable, biodegradable and compostable) plastic?</b>	YES!
<b>We have proposed a mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags. This could include under 50 microns or under 70 microns in thickness. If you agree with a mandatory phase out, which option do you prefer, and why?</b>	Less than 70 microns in thickness! We prefer for all single-use plastic shopping bags under 70 microns in thickness to be phased out since bags over 70 microns in thickness are designed to be used multiple times.
<b>Should smaller retailers be exempted from a mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags? Why / why not?</b>	NO!
<b>Please tick as many statements below as you support.</b>	<p>Plastic is having a destructive impact on our oceans and our planet. I urge the government to be bold and go much further than the proposed phase out of plastic single-use shopping bags.</p> <p>I call on the government to support Kiwi Bottle Drive's national container deposit scheme (CDS). A container deposit scheme is good for the environment, the economy and the community. We need to reduce and eliminate the most problematic single-use plastics such as straws, disposable cutlery, disposable coffee cups, and takeaway containers.</p> <p>We need to ensure companies are held accountable for producing products that contribute to plastic pollution. There must be corporate responsibility for the end-life of plastic products.</p> <p>As kaitiaki, it is our responsibility to look after and regenerate the planet for future generations. We need long-term vision and planning from our government, we only borrow this earth from</p>

future generations. Riro taonga mai, hoki taongi atu.