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Question 1 - What are the key issues facing the NSW waste system?

A lack of ability to process waste and divert from landfill. Lack of infrastructure and technology to better process and sort recyclables Lack of end markets for materials made from recycled content. Lack of infrastructure within the Sydney Metropolitan area. Additional truck movements on roads Reinvestment of waste levy into large scale waste avoidance infrastructure

Question 2 - What are the main barriers to improving the NSW waste system?

Creating a circular economy to ensure that manufacturing takes responsibility for the items that they make and market. Lack of local processing plants and end markets

Question 3 - How can we best reduce waste?

Utilise the avoidance platform in the hierarchy. Ensuring that materials we purchase can be recycled or reused rather than going to landfill. Implement policies to phase out/ban single-use items eg plastics. Focus education and services around waste avoidance and reuse

Question 4 - How can we recycle better?

Increase access to recycling opportunities/services including promotion. Statewide recycling campaigns on TV and social media Mandate purchase /use of products with recycled content Increase communication on common issues ie soft plastics including plastic bags not being accepted in general domestic recycling

Question 5 - What are the main opportunities for improving the NSW waste system?

Implement legislation to impose mandatory recycled content in new products, including road base etc. Creation of jobs and expansion of the industry Create circular economy Local processing plants and end markets. Statewide campaigns Money into infrastructure to create local recycling end markets

Question 6 - Any other information that you would like to contribute to the waste strategy initiative?

Change the method of evaluating waste avoidance from 75% diversion from landfill which relies on tonnes of recycling and garden waste to reduce waste disposed per capita.