

Wales Safer Communities Network response to: Enforcing bans and restrictions on certain single-use plastic products Closed 04 October 2023

Response submitted via the online survey.

Question 1: Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to use fixed monetary penalties? Please provide the reasons for your response.

We agree in principle as it may reduce the number that need to go through the criminal justice system which potentially adds to the costs and resources required. A Fixed monetary penalty could enable a quick resolution and only mean those who break the law on multiple occasions or on a large scale should result in entering the justice system.

Question 2: If used, we propose to set the amount of the fixed monetary penalty at £200? Do you agree or disagree the penalty should be set at that amount?

As a Network we hold no specific opinion on the amount as long as it will cover any resources that are needed to issue and enforce following any relevant guidance and procedure.