

TOOLKIT

We all love a Party in Dorset! And whether that's a BBQ in summer or a get together with mulled cider in winter let's make sure we are leaving no trace and celebrating Litter Free Style.

Litter Free Party Tips

✔ CROCKERY

Always opt for reusable cups, plates and cutlery. Perhaps invest in a picnic hamper which can hold all those bits and bobs for impromptu picnics, BBQs and get togethers?



✔ CELEBRATE DON'T INFLATE

Don't buy balloons instead get out that bunting which can be used again and again and again. If you let go of a helium balloon into the sky it is an act of littering as balloons eventually fall back to Earth. Once back on earth balloons and ribbons will litter our countryside, ocean and waterways, meaning wildlife can suffer and die. Check out the Rubber Jellyfish Film: bit.ly/2ZuOhwM



✔ DISPOSE OF BBQS

Never leave disposable BBQs or rubbish left from BBQs on beaches or parks. They are a real risk to other members of the public, wildlife and can cause fires. Always have extra water handy to extinguish the BBQ and take it home to dispose of responsibly. Check out Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Top tips: www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safety-outdoors/barbecues/



✔ PARTY BAGS

Don't be a Party Pooper and hand out lots of plastic at the end of your child's party. There are lots of things you can pop in a paper bag to say Thank you for coming. How about cardboard animal masks? Seed bombs? Colouring Pencils? Or wooden toys? Pinterest is a good way to gather ideas or for premade party bags go to: www.plasticfreepartybags.com



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✔ GLITTER

All that glitters is not gold (but it could be plastic). Glitter is essentially just teeny, tiny bits of pretty plastic. These tiny bits of pretty plastic are an environmental hazard so when your making that Birthday or Christmas card try using collage from magazines, bits of material or pressed flowers to create that bit of bling!



✔ BIN YOUR BUTT

Always dispose of your cigarette butts in a cigarette bin or by using a portable ashtray. When you're at the park or on the beach with friends the chances are there won't be an ashtray within reach, and you've forgotten your handy portable ashtray... to avoid any butts being left on the ground how about designating an empty glass beer bottle? **Find a solution, Don't contribute to pollution!**



✔ TUPERWARE

Lets bring back Tuperware! Going to your friend's garden party? Take that tuppa along. You know there will be left overs – you're not being greedy – you're saving the planet remember!

