

Avalon Preservation Trust

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Avalon Preservation Association



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The Manager
Woolworths
74 Old Barrenjoey Rd,
Avalon Beach NSW 2107

Dear sir,

container deposit scheme (CDS)

NSW finally introduced a container deposit scheme several months ago. This follows South Australia which introduced its scheme in 1977, 40 years ago. In 2015/16, it achieved a container return rate of 76.5% and \$58 million was refunded to the community. Western Australia recently announced it will commence its scheme in mid-2018.

The Avalon Preservation Association notes the chronic dearth of collection depots or reverse vending machines in Pittwater to date.

Woolworths is the pre-eminent retailer of drink and other containers in Avalon Beach and presumably makes a considerable profit from that trade, which now includes a 15 cent per bottle price rise on your soft drinks sales.

We also note the apparent absence of Woolworths Avalon Beach in providing any local leadership in the container recycling effort through support of the new state government scheme, for instance by housing a collection depot or reverse vending machine in its premises.

The Association respectfully requests that the management of Woolworths Avalon Beach reconsider its position in this area and make plans to participate in the government's scheme.

We look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely

Peter Mayman
President