

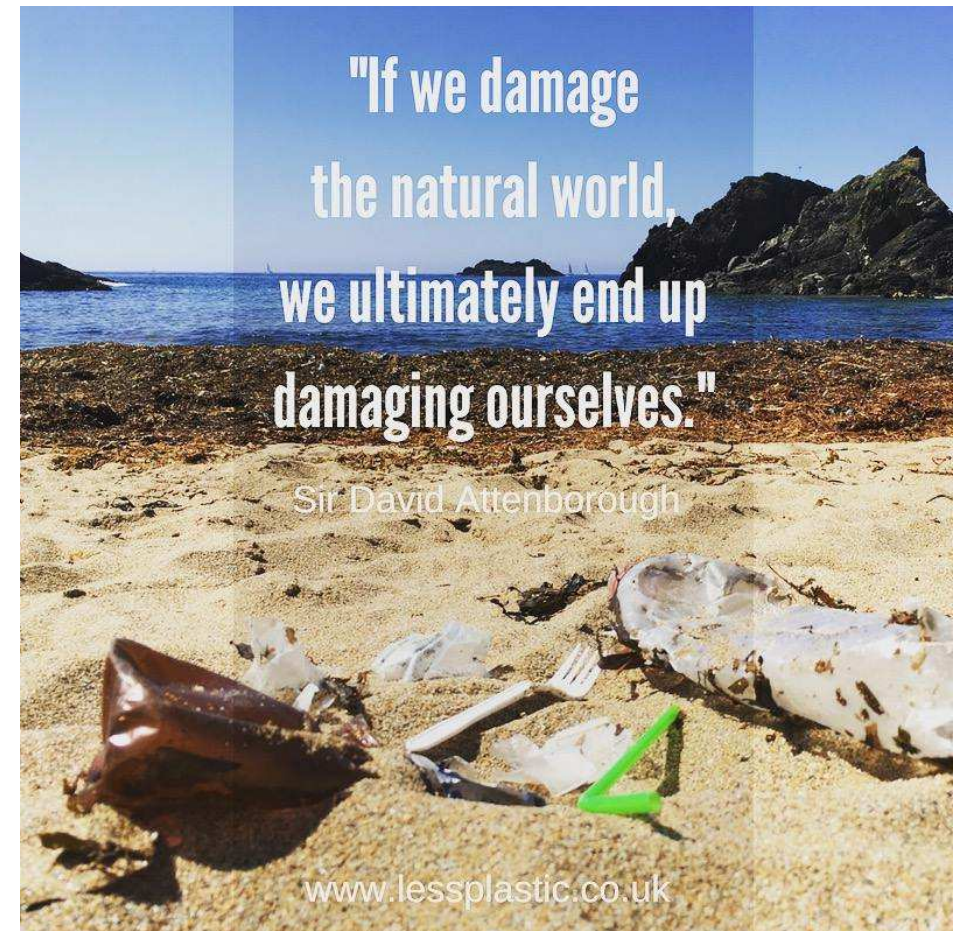
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FREE**

**PHILLIP ISLAND
AND SAN REMO**

Healthy oceans, healthy communities

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Boomerang Bags Phillip Island & San Remo

- Dedicated volunteers create re-usable 'Boomerang Bags' using local second-hand materials as a means to replace plastic bags.
- Boomerang Bags are then either provided for free or for a small donation at local supermarkets, markets and shops.
- Reduces reliance on plastic bags.
- Social benefits & environmental benefits



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- First sewing bee **19th March 2017**
- **School** workshops, beeswax wrap classes and weekly sewing bees
- Over 20 **community events** and markets
- Weekly **sewing bees** at PICAL and Rhyll
- Sewing mission to **Vanuatu**
- **As of today BB has made 6464 bags!**



Who are Plastic Free?

- **Community-driven** initiative to engage and **empower our local businesses and community** to choose reusable alternatives to disposable plastics.
- **Vision:** For Phillip Island and San Remo to be **nationally recognised as a plastic free** community and destination.



The Master Plan

- Transition away from disposable plastics (**bags, cups, straws, bottles, packaging**)
- **Educate and empower** local businesses and individuals about the environmental and social benefits of removing disposable plastics.
- **Make plastic-free solutions accessible**, work together, drive this change in our community.
- **Connect** community with responsible businesses.



Plastic Bag Free

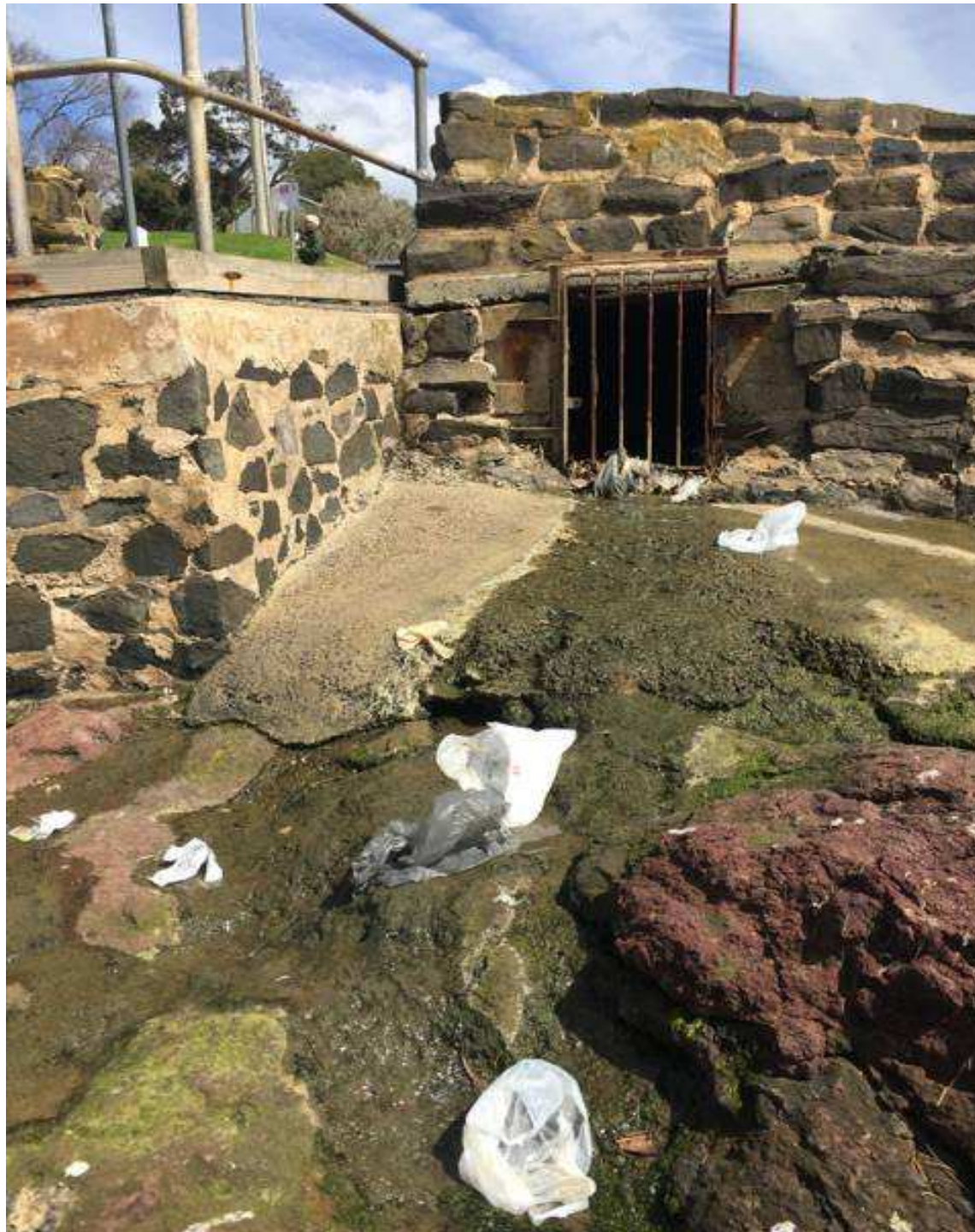
- First focus: **Plastic Bag Free**
- Aim: For **30%** of locally owned businesses to be **disposable plastic bag free** by July 2018.
- Key partner: **Boomerang Bags Phillip Island San Remo**





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The Solutions: Proudly Plastic Free *Business promotional toolkits*

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Australians use an estimated
four to six **BILLION** plastic
bags each year.

Over 80 million of these plastic bags end up in our
environment. It is estimated that ocean plastics
are responsible for killing over 1 million seabirds
and 100,000's of marine animals every year.

Together, we can be part of the
plastic pollution solution!

We are reducing our plastic impact by:

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WE ARE
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Choose reusable, not disposable



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