

## FINAL THOUGHTS

 **38.5 MILLION**

The UK uses a staggering 38.5 million single-use plastic bottles every day. Just over half are recycled, the rest end up in landfill, being burnt or in the environment.<sup>1</sup>

**2.5 BILLION**

Less than 1% of the 2.5 billion paper coffee cups used in the UK each year are recycled.<sup>2</sup>

 **YEARS+**

Plastic bags fragment in 100-300 years but will remain at large in the environment indefinitely.<sup>3</sup>



**264 MILLION**

Up to 264 million toothbrushes are discarded every year. Sell a non-plastic toothbrush to ensure they don't pollute our environment post-use.<sup>4</sup>

 **27K TONNES**

27 thousand tonnes of waste is created in the UK every year. Help stem the flow and start action to stop stocking unnecessary packaging.<sup>5</sup>

1. <https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201719/cmselect/cmenvaud/339/33909.htm>
2. <https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201719/cmselect/cmenvaud/657/657.pdf>
3. From SAS Marine Litter Guide
4. Based on population's three monthly replacement as per dentist advice
5. [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/784263/UK\\_Statistics\\_on\\_Waste\\_statistical\\_notice\\_March\\_2019\\_rev\\_FINAL.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/784263/UK_Statistics_on_Waste_statistical_notice_March_2019_rev_FINAL.pdf)