

Zero Waste Sedbergh - News

It has been an incredibly busy first month for Zero Waste Sedbergh:

There are now a number of food outlets in Sedbergh who have agreed to offer free water bottle refills. This is a scheme that has been very successful in other towns up and down the country, and I am confident it will work well in Sedbergh. A full list of participating establishments can be found on our Facebook and Twitter pages, and also at zerowastesedbergh.wordpress.com (please do visit these sites for all up to date news on ZWS).

I have also been in touch with Simply Repair South Lakes to discuss hosting a repair event in Sedbergh later on this year – more news on this in coming weeks.

And you may well have seen in local news that Booths supermarket has made huge strides in tackling single use plastic head-on.

They have pledged to introduce a number of measures in their stores including: a new bag for life using 90% recycled plastic; cotton bags as a reusable solution for fresh produce; phasing out the 5p carrier bag; replacing plastic drinking straws with paper ones; and they are also testing a starch made, compostable veggie bag to replace the plastic ones.

I can't overstate the huge commitment from Booths on this, and I really hope other supermarkets follow suit. I have been in touch with James Hall & Co. Ltd. who run Sedbergh Spar, but at the time of going to print am yet to receive a reply.

And finally, a date for your diary: Friday July 6th will see the Great Cumbrian Litter Pick taking place in all corners of the county – including Sedbergh! We meet in Joss Lane Car Park at 1pm, and will be finished by 3pm at the latest. Please do come along if you can, and help make Sedbergh cleaner, tidier, and safer for our wildlife.

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