

Bottle Deposit – How it Works

Training session - Angela Traylor and Christine McClare presented on how the Divert NS beverage container deposit and refund system works. The Beverage Container Deposit-Refund Program was established in 1996 as part of [Nova Scotia's Solid Waste Resource Management Regulations](#). In general, 10 cents is paid and 5 cents is refunded.

Non-alcohol containers less than 5L and alcohol containers 500ml or less, have a 10 cent deposit with a 5 cent refund. Alcohol containers greater than 500ml have a deposit of 20 cents and 10 cents id refunded.

The portion of the deposit that does not get refunded, pays for the ENVIRO-DEPOT™ system as well as funds diversion credits and other municipal funding. A list of what does/does not have a deposit applied, can be found through the link below.

<https://divertns.ca/recycling/what-goes-where/beverage-container-recycling>



Audit of Financial Statement

Andy Forse from Kent and Duffet Accountants presented the audit of the financial statement. He detailed the responsibilities of the auditor and our financial services staff of West Hants Regional Municipality.

From their report ***"In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of the Region are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards."***

Contact Christine if you have any questions.



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Litter Signage & Pilot Project

Let's Be Clear – Litter Doesn't Belong Here



Angela and Christine described new anti-littering signage and social media posts will be made using iconic images from each of the R6 units. With their permission, this is based on the Halifax “Litter Doesn't Belong Here” campaign.

By selecting images of what we're proud of and show that it looks better without litter, we hope to have an impact of the amount of litter left behind. Have an idea on an image that best represents your municipality? Let us know!

Education – Plastic Free July



Angela was very busy through July promoting Plastic Free July. Plastic Free July® is a global movement that helps millions of people be part of the solution to plastic pollution – so we can have cleaner streets, oceans, and beautiful communities.

Pop-up give away events of reusable bags throughout the region along with a contest to win fantastic prizes of plastic free products, social media posts, on-line videos and in-person presentations were just some of the ways Angela helped show people there are alternatives to plastic. If it wasn't purchased in the first place, it reduces waste and guarantees it won't end up in the ocean or landfill...

If you have something waste-wise that you want to share, please send it along to Christine.McClare@Region6SWM.ca and we would be happy to add it to our Boardroom Brief.