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### NEW STRATEGIES TO REDUCE LITTER AND ILLEGAL DUMPING

To help achieve a 60 per cent reduction of litter by 2030 and crack down on illegal dumping, including in Castle Hill, the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has today released two new draft strategies for consultation.

As part of the \$356 million Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy 2041, the draft Litter and Illegal Dumping Prevention Strategies are designed to improve education, infrastructure, grow targeted programs, drive more circularity throughout waste systems and reduce costs.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP said this is a great opportunity for the Castle Hill community to speak up about keeping their neighbourhood clean.

“We are fortunate to have a wonderful area in Castle Hill and the community wants to keep it free of litter and dumped waste,” Mr Williams said.

“These strategies introduce new programs and approaches for tackling waste and illegal dumping in the long term.

“We’ve already reduced litter by 43 per cent over the past decade, and I encourage people from Castle Hill to have their say as we work together to cut it even further.”

The draft Illegal Dumping Strategy outlines how the EPA will continue to work with councils and state government agencies to address the difficult challenges of illegal dumping.

The Waste Crime Taskforce will continue to deter and disrupt waste crime, and targeted illegal dumping campaigns and projects will be supported through grant funding.

These new strategies build on successful programs such as Return and Earn, Don’t Be a Tosser, the award-winning ‘Free fill, is it worth it?’ campaign, and litter and illegal dumping prevention grants.

Comment on both Strategies is open until 17th October 2022.

For more information visit <https://yoursay.epa.nsw.gov.au/>.

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