

# Thinking of having a bonfire?

Bonfires can cause harmful particulate air pollution.



Air pollution negatively impacts the health of your family and community.



Can you avoid burning, burn cleaner, burn safely?



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# Instead of having a bonfire...



**Compost garden waste at home or through council garden waste collections.**



**Dispose of household waste safely through council general and bulky waste collections, waste and recycling centres and recycling or donating where possible.**

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# If you need to have a bonfire...



**Only burn dry, untreated wood and not rubber tyres, plastics or wood with varnish or paint.**



**Consider your neighbours, community and wildlife before building and lighting a fire.**



**Be aware of the impacts of air pollution – don't allow fires to smoulder or produce a lot of dark smoke, and avoid days with poor air quality or unsuitable weather conditions.**



**Follow fire safety advice – don't leave a fire unattended, keep water nearby and children and pets away.**