**Key Geographical Skills:** Place Knowledge, Human and Physical Geography
**Key Geographical Concepts:** Place, Space, Scale, Interdependence, Physical and Human Processes, Environmental Impact and Sustainable Development

# What is plastic waste?

Imagine you are the manager of the **local tourist office**. Tourism brings much-needed money into your quiet seaside town, but the beaches are **full of litter**, and most of it comes from **food packaging and plastic bags** that people leave behind. You are worried that **unsightly rubbish** on the beach will keep tourists away.

Write a **letter** to the council explaining that they should do more to clean up the beaches and provide better rubbish disposal and **recycling services**. Use the **word bank** to help you.

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| disgrace | microplastics | biodegradable | tourism | recyclable | environment |
| pollution | toxic | decompose | packaging | sustainable | detrimental |