Q: Is this butt dangerous?

A: No. Not unless it is thrown on the street or in the gutter, which then ends up polluting Centennial Park ponds and local beaches.

Why are butts a problem?
- Butts are tiny toxic sponges that contain chemicals that harm Centennial Park ponds and local beaches.
- Butts can do serious damage, if swallowed by birds, animals and sea creatures.
- Butts look unsightly and do not readily breakdown.

What’s happening in Charing Cross?
We asked people in your neighbourhood where they dispose of butts — nearly 20% said they butted out on the ground. When we analysed what goes in the gutter, butts were the major contaminant. We found equivalent to 20 packets of cigarettes every 100 metres!

What can you do about your butts? Simple.
1. Always bin your butts. If there is no bin handy, hang onto it until you find one.
2. Carry a container for your butts.
3. Sweep up butts & other litter and bin it.

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