Plans for 2025 targets and beyond

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Resources and waste targets

• Reduce the quantity of biodegradable municipal waste disposed to landfill to less than 1.26 million tonnes by 2020 (*EU target – met since 2013*)
• 70% recycling and reuse of construction & demolition waste by 2020 (*EU target – met every year since 2011*)
• Reduction in waste generated against 2011 baseline by 7% by 2017 and 15% by 2025
• Reduce food waste by 33% against 2013 levels by 2025
• Recycle 60% of Scottish household waste by 2020 (*EU target: 50% by 2020*)
• Recycle 70% of all waste by 2025
• Maximum of 5% of waste to landfill by 2025
• Ending the practice of landfilling biodegradable municipal waste by 2025
Waste generated in Scotland

Waste generated as a percentage of 2011 baseline

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2025 Target
Recycling rate - waste from all sources

Current performance: 60.7% in 2018

Target 70% by 2025

Recycling rate (%)

Year

Waste from all sources sent to landfill

Current performance:
32.1% in 2018

2025 Target

Percentage of waste sent to landfill

Year
BMW landfilled in Scotland

Current performance: 0.7 mt in 2019

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2010 Target: 3.00
2013 Target: 2.00
2020 Target: 0.50
In 2019
- 44.9% of household waste was recycled;
- 31% of household waste was landfilled;
- 19% of household waste was incinerated; and
- 5% was dealt with otherwise.
Local authority recycling rates

Recycling rate in 2019

Recycling rate in 2014

Scotland
Challenges (1)

• **Prioritising waste prevention/promoting reuse**
  – Few incentives to design out waste or to reuse/recycle
  – Unrecyclable products coming to market
  – Producers not meeting full cost of dealing with waste

• **Accelerating progress on high quality recycling/ recycling rates**
  – 60% of what householders throw away could have been recycled
  – Making the right choices the easier choices
  – Consistency of collections across local authorities
  – Communications/engagement
Challenges (2)

• **Managing residual waste**
  – Diverting biodegradable waste away from landfill
  – Reducing the proportion of recyclable waste in the residual waste stream
  – Difficult waste streams
  – Minimising environmental impact – vital role of regulation
  – Effective engagement with communities regarding any planned developments

• **Infrastructure**
  – Managing risks of over-capacity or being ‘locked in’ to contracts that disincentivise waste reduction
  – Further improving efficiency of Energy from Waste plants (e.g. heat offtake)
  – Future proofing (e.g. for carbon capture storage)

• **COVID-19**
Our actions

Preventing waste & promoting reuse
- Single use plastics ban
- Food waste reduction action plan
- DRS
- EPR reforms
- Promoting reuse
- Fiscal incentives

Managing residual waste
- Supporting delivery of forthcoming ban on BMW to landfill
- Robust regulation
- Considering CCC’s latest recommendations

Supporting high quality recycling
- £70 million recycling improvement fund
- Evaluating the Household Recycling Charter & reviewing its supporting Code of Practice

General approach
- EU Circular Economy Package
- Route Map to achieving our 2025 targets
Beyond 2025…

• Scotland’s net-zero by 2045 ambitions
• Continuing to accelerate our move to a fully circular economy
• Focusing targets/actions on the right things & measures that will have most impact