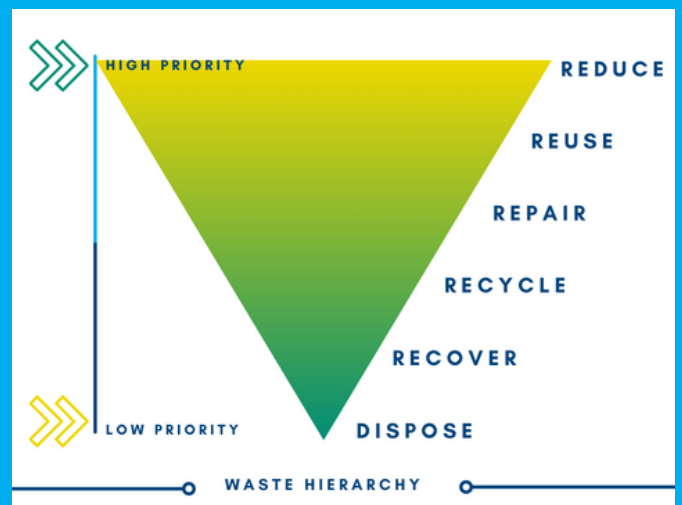


OUR CALL FOR A STRONG & AMBITIOUS CIRCULAR ECONOMY BILL

Our 4 Key Points:

A TOP-DOWN APPROACH TO WASTE HIERARCHY

- The Circular Economy Bill currently focuses on Waste, Recycling and Litter.
- The priority should be on Reuse, Repair and Sharing over Recycling.



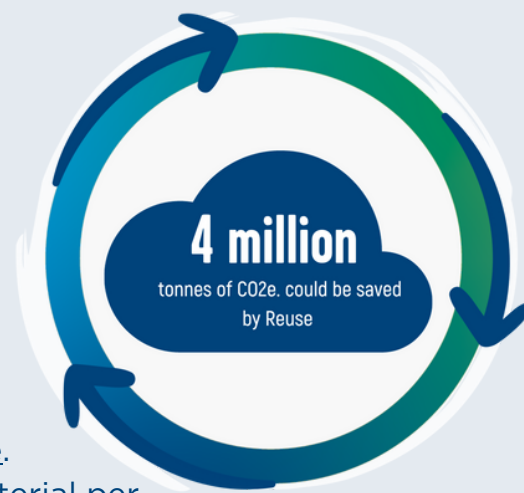
REUSE IS BETTER THAN RECYCLING

There are many **social benefits** to Reuse:

- Social Return on Investment (£7.35 for every £1 invested).
- Jobs & Green Skills (up to 296 jobs for reuse compared to 6 for landfill and 36 for recycling).

There are many **environmental benefits** to Reuse

- Reuse over Recycling could save 4 million tonnes of CO₂e.
- The world is currently consuming 100 billion tonnes of material per year which has a negative impact on biodiversity.



THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY BILL SHOULD INCLUDE:

CIRCULAR ECONOMY TARGETS

- Preparation for Reuse (Reuse at HWRC sites).
- Ensure Reuse prioritised over Recycling.
- Maximise Social Impact.

RESTRICTIONS ON DISPOSAL OF UNSOLD GOODS SAFEGUARDS

- Reuse over Recycling.
- Keep Local.
- Maximise Social Impact.

CODE OF PRACTICE

- Place on Statutory Basis.
- Reuse Services Prioritised.

BEYOND THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY BILL: INVESTMENT

- Repair Vouchers & Reuse Credits.
- Prioritisation of Charities & Social Enterprises in Waste Contracts.
- Paid for from Socially Responsible Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR).



For more information read [Circular Communities Scotland Policy Paper here.](#)