

A ZERO WASTE SOCIETY



THE ROLE OF THE COMMUNITY RECYCLING SECTOR, REUSE AND PREPARATION FOR REUSE

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BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CRNS



- 2003 – Establishment of the CRNS
- Small no of organisations, so small membership.
- Limited visibility.
- Mainly voluntary organisations involved in either homelessness or economic opportunities.
- Committed to pushing Zero Waste in Scotland.
- 2004 – Successful in securing National Government support for the CRNS and the community recycling sector.

2009

SCOTTISH COMMUNITY RECYCLING SECTOR



- 140 ORGANISATIONS ACROSS SCOTLAND
- 72,000 TONNES OF WASTE DIVERTED FROM LANDFILL
- 1,166 FTE STAFF
- 1,300 TRAINING PLACES
- 2,275 VOLUNTEERING PLACES
- 100,000 PEOPLE HELPED WITH REUSED HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.

COMMUNITY RECYCLING ACTIVITIES

ZERO
WASTE
SCOTLAND

- COMMUNITY RECYCLING SECTOR IS PART OF THE RESOURCE (WASTE) MANAGEMENT INFRASTRUCTURE
- WASTE PREVENTION & ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS.
- REUSE & PREPARATION FOR REUSE.
- RECYCLING & COMPOSTING.
- REMANUFACTURING.

THE ROLE OF COMMUNITY RECYCLING IN ZERO WASTE



- WASTE FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE.
 - ACCREDITED REUSE & REPAIR NETWORK
 - COMMUNITY WASTE PREVENTION NETWORK
- INCREASE C & D and C & I REUSE.
- GREEN THE NON WASTE 3RD SECTOR.





- REUSE OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE –
 - REUSE BULKY/SPECIAL UPLIFTS
 - REUSE AT HWRC'S
- REUSE OF C & D WASTE –
 - NETWORK OF BMRC'S ACROSS SCOTLAND
- REUSE OF C & I WASTE –
 - NETWORK OF OFFICE FURNITURE
 - NETWORK OF B2B WEEE
 - WORKING WITH PRIVATE BUSINESSES



SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION



THE COMMUNITY RECYCLING SECTOR IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF ANY ZERO WASTE ASPIRATIONS.

ITS FOCUS ON ACTIVITIES AT THE VERY TOP OF THE WASTE HIERARCHY – WASTE PREVENTION & REUSE MAKES IT AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE ZERO WASTE INFRASTRUCTURE

IT IS A CLEAR DEMONSTRATION OF ZERO WASTE VALUES. SHOWS THAT WASTE CAN BE FINANCIALLY, SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY VALUABLE. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS WASTE, ONLY VALUABLE RESOURCES.