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# **Speakers**



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#### **About us**

- Supporting businesses in the South West of all sizes – for over 35 years
- A subsidiary of SUEZ recycling and recovery UK
- Access to a range of waste facilities across the South West



# **Waste hierarchy**



Most preferred approach

Least preferred approach

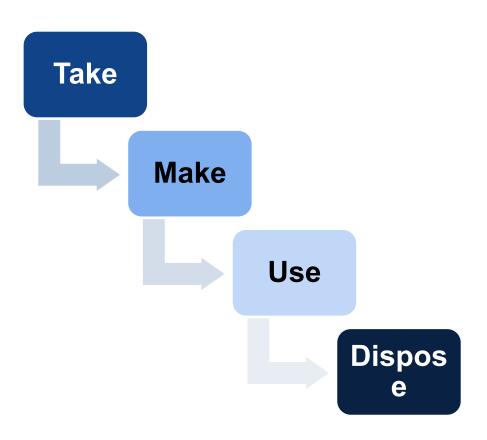
**Prevention Preparing for re-use** Recycling Other recovery **Disposal** 

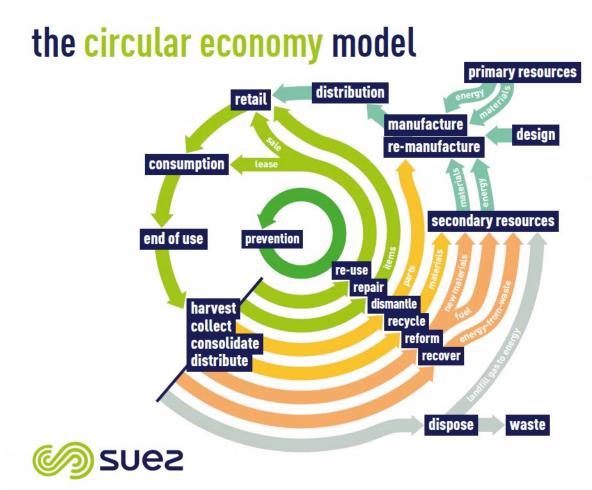
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# Linear vs circular economy



#### Linear economy creates waste ...





### **LEGISLATION IS CHANGING**

What is Simpler Recycling?





# Why has this been introduced?



- Move to circular economy
- Simplify recycling system
- Improve recycling rates
- Protect the environment
- Prevent waste crime

#### **Food waste**



THERE IS NO MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR FOOD WASTE.

This means, if your business generates <u>ANY</u> food waste, it must be separated from general waste for collection.





# Latest guidelines

ON 29 NOVEMBER 2024, NEW DEFAULT REQUIREMENT FOR MOST HOUSEHOLDS AND WORKPLACES WILL BE FOUR CONTAINERS FOR:

- 1. Residual (non-recyclable) waste
- 2. Food waste (mixed with garden waste if appropriate)
- 3. Paper and card
- 4. All other dry recyclable materials (plastic, metal and glass)

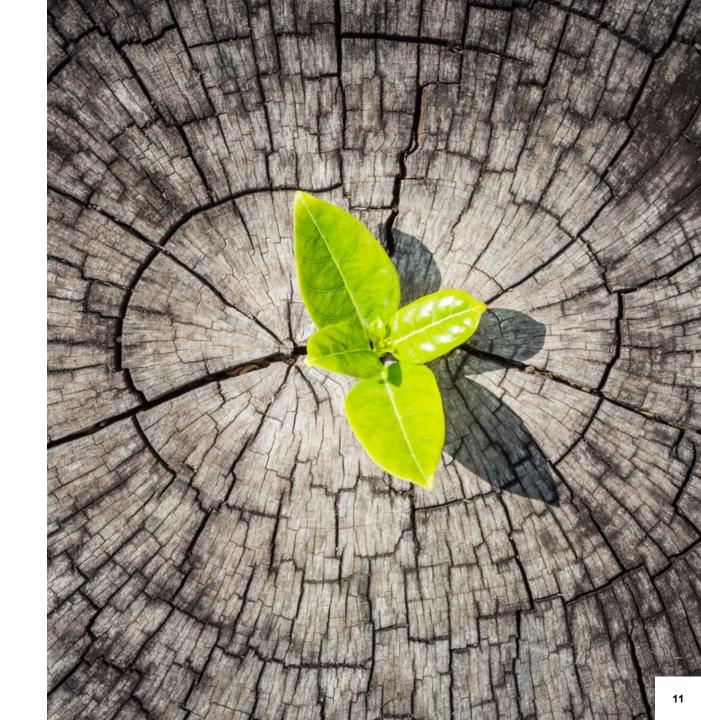
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### HOW COULD YOUR BUSINESS BENEFIT?

WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL
CHALLENGES WITH THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE
CHANGE?



# The upcoming legislative changes

effect



#### 31 March 2025

Simpler Recycling comes into effect – any business > 10 FTE will have to collect food waste separately from other dry recyclable waste

#### 31 March 2026

Households will be included in Simpler Recycling scheme
Garden waste separate

collection to come into

#### 2028

Near elimination of biowaste to landfill

2042 72-75% recycling rate

#### October 2025

Deposit return scheme (DRS)

PET (up to 3 litre), steel and aluminium beverage containers

#### 31 March 2027

Micro-firms (businesses <10 FTE) will be included into the Simpler Recycling scheme

Plastic films and bags to be collected separately by all

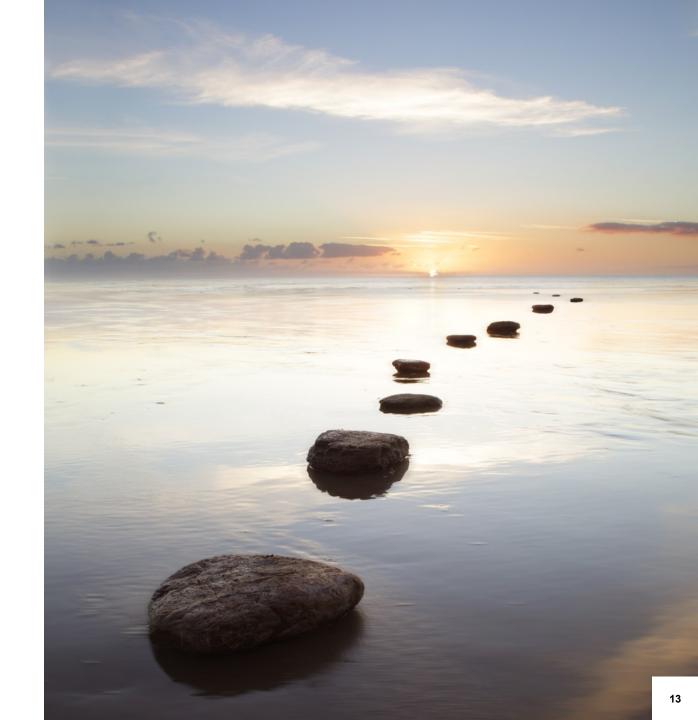
#### ETS for EfW 2028

Emissions trading scheme for energy-from-waste plants will come into effect

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## What can you do to prepare?

- Start preparing as soon as possible
- Conduct a waste audit
- Train your staff
- Speak to DCW





#### **Our services**



- Food waste recycling
- Dry mixed recycling
- Single stream recycling
- Residual waste collection
- Glass recycling
- Confidential waste and secure shredding
- Hazardous waste
- Clinical waste
- Green / Garden waste
- WEEE (waste electrical and electronic equipment)

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