

Welsh Government Waste Policy Update

- Welsh Government looking at carbon targets based on what is recycled
- Cabinet Secretary keen to consult on food waste reduction targets
- Cabinet Secretary aiming to undertake public consultation on a revised Towards Zero Waste strategy in July 2018
- Welsh Government looking at *Target 12.3* of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which calls on all nations to halve food waste and reduce food loss by 2030
- Welsh Government to announce future Welsh taxes, a disposable plastics tax amongst the options
- Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 4: Consultants are currently looking at options. Regulations by 2019, enforced in 2020 (AW comment – this is the requirement for businesses/organisations to separate waste for collection).
- Environment (Wales) Act 2016 – [Natural Resources Policy](#) published
- Carbon Budgets - New Bioenergy Review to be published in Autumn 2018, call for evidence being conducted
- Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) Pilot - Welsh Government announcement on this due in February 2018*
- Extended producer responsibility, moving responsibility to the producer and retailer to meet the whole cost of dealing with packaging when it's brought onto the market e.g. coffee cups, crisp packets, sauce sachets
- Welsh Government's revised strategy and route map would focus on food, plastics, textiles, paper and critical raw materials
- Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act – Welsh Government looking to make a demonstrable contribution on waste