Progress on Action Plan (Scottish Government and WDS Delivery Board)

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Actions for the Scottish Government:

- Review and if necessary amend Duty of Care legislation
- Review and if necessary amend hazardous waste legislation (including charging)









Monitor progress against SGov and EU targets

Actions for the Scottish Government:

• Review reporting requirements of the EU 2018 Circular Economy package









Improve the way we interact with data customers

Actions for the Waste Data Strategy Delivery Board:

- Invite a wider range of businesses, agencies and potential partners to join the waste data practitioners group and hold regular events
- Carry out user research to understand the needs of data users and review current data reporting in light of the findings
- Identify ways to better communicate waste data to the public







Progress on Action Plan (SEPA)

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Deliver an electronic UK waste tracking system

Provide technical, financial and administrative support to the UK waste tracking project

SEPA & Scottish Government fully immersed in the project

- Members of project board and working groups on legislation and data
- Subject matter experts
- Supporting user researcher
- Buy in from SEPA management team







Preparation for a waste tracking system in Scotland

Engaged with new permitting service in SEPA

- streamlining waste permits
- review future requirement for data returns

Consult and inform stakeholders in Scotland

- User research in 2018 and 2019
- Events
- Waste data strategy webpages
- UK blogs
- Future government consultations







Preparation for a waste tracking system in Scotland LIFE SMART Waste crime detection toolkit

- Draft tool produced
- To be piloted with the other UK agencies in March
- Final version to be distributed for use by the agencies in May 2019







Other tracking waste actions

WasteDataFlow to record/report the complete path of waste movements

Investigate mandatory reporting of next destination in SEPA site returns

 SEPA has started to consider these actions but progress with waste tracking may ultimately mean they are not required









Provide data to support the circular economy

Waste composition

Understand the composition of non-target materials in MRF inputs and communicate findings

On hold due to China ban









Monitor progress against SGov and EU targets

Continue to monitor and publish progress towards Scottish waste targets

• Ongoing work for existing and any new targets

Establish carbon intensity of EfW in Scotland

• Still in initial phase

Improve information on flaring and gas capture at landfill sites to monitor climate change targets

 Work in progress to capture data in a consistent, electronic format









Improve the quality of data reported by businesses and local authorities

Training and guidance

- Reviewing content of all published guidance for waste data providers/users
- Continuing to offer support (online, phone, email)
- Follow <u>Code of Practice for Statistics</u>
- Creating corrections policy for SEPA
- Created standard data collection protocol

Enforcement

Fixed Monetary penalties









Improve the way we interact with data customers - working with others

Action	Progress
Enhance relevance and benefits of WDF User Group	 Invited all LAs to the one meeting Presentations on topics of interest (e.g. BMW to LF ban) Open to ideas for future meetings
Clarify roles and responsibilities across data chain	 Asking data providers to submit accurate data on time, and correct any errors SEPA's Dataflows unit has a responsibility to collect, verify and analyse the data for various reporting requirements









Improve the way we interact with data customers - enhanced data

Action	Progress
Improve metadata	Collating metadata for all our waste publications
Publish more raw data	Taking steps to undertake operator consultation about publishing more data from licensed/permitted site returns
Visualising WDF data better	New Spotfire [®] visualisation for LAs to view their data









Improve the way we interact with data customers

Publications

- Publishing more data; sooner; more frequently; on a consistent schedule; with accompanying reports
- Publishing more data as official statistics
- One case study published; two more in pipeline

To do/get better at:

- Notify data providers and users when data is published (by email and web updates)
- Publish conversion from SEPA waste reporting categories to EWC.







Progress on Action Plan (ZWS)

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Provide data to support the circular economy

- Action 1 Complete options appraisal on future waste composition study approach for Scotland covering both household and C&I wastes (In Progress)
- Action 2 Develop methodology for testing composition of residual/mixed waste at the final disposal point (landfill, incineration etc.) (In Progress)
- Action 3 Investigate a range of metrics to measure progress towards a circular economy in Scotland and develop a suitable national measure (In Progress)









Provide data to support the circular economy

- Action 4 Develop 'materials flow' approach to track materials moving through the economy and into the waste stream (In Progress)
- Action 5 Identify and prioritise materials for trialing the 'materials flow' approach (**Inc. A4**)
- Action 6 Develop a business level indicator tool for businesses to benchmark their circular economy performance against a sector/industry/national standard (Pending Review)









Monitor progress against SGov and EU targets

 Action 7 - Develop a methodology for the baseline and on-going monitoring of the 33% food waste target (In Progress)









Improve the way we interact with data customers

Action 8 - Investigate how waste data could be linked to economic, financial or geographical data to provide more meaningful information (**Inc. A3**)





