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Review of Waste Policy



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“We are starting a review of all waste policies”

- A fundamental review to ensure all policies and interventions are right to meet the new challenges.
- We will be seeking extensive input from inside and outside Government.
- Preliminary findings by next Spring.

Caroline Spelman MP - Secretary of State for Defra
Speech to Futuresource, London ExCel, 15 June

Why a Review?

- A new aim - a **Zero Waste economy**
- A new background - the **deficit**
- A continuing background – **carbon**
- A new approach – **localism**

What do we mean by a zero waste economy?

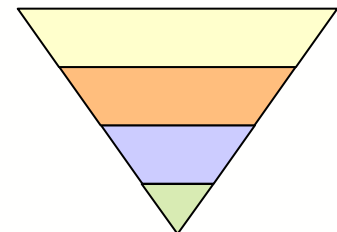


A zero waste economy

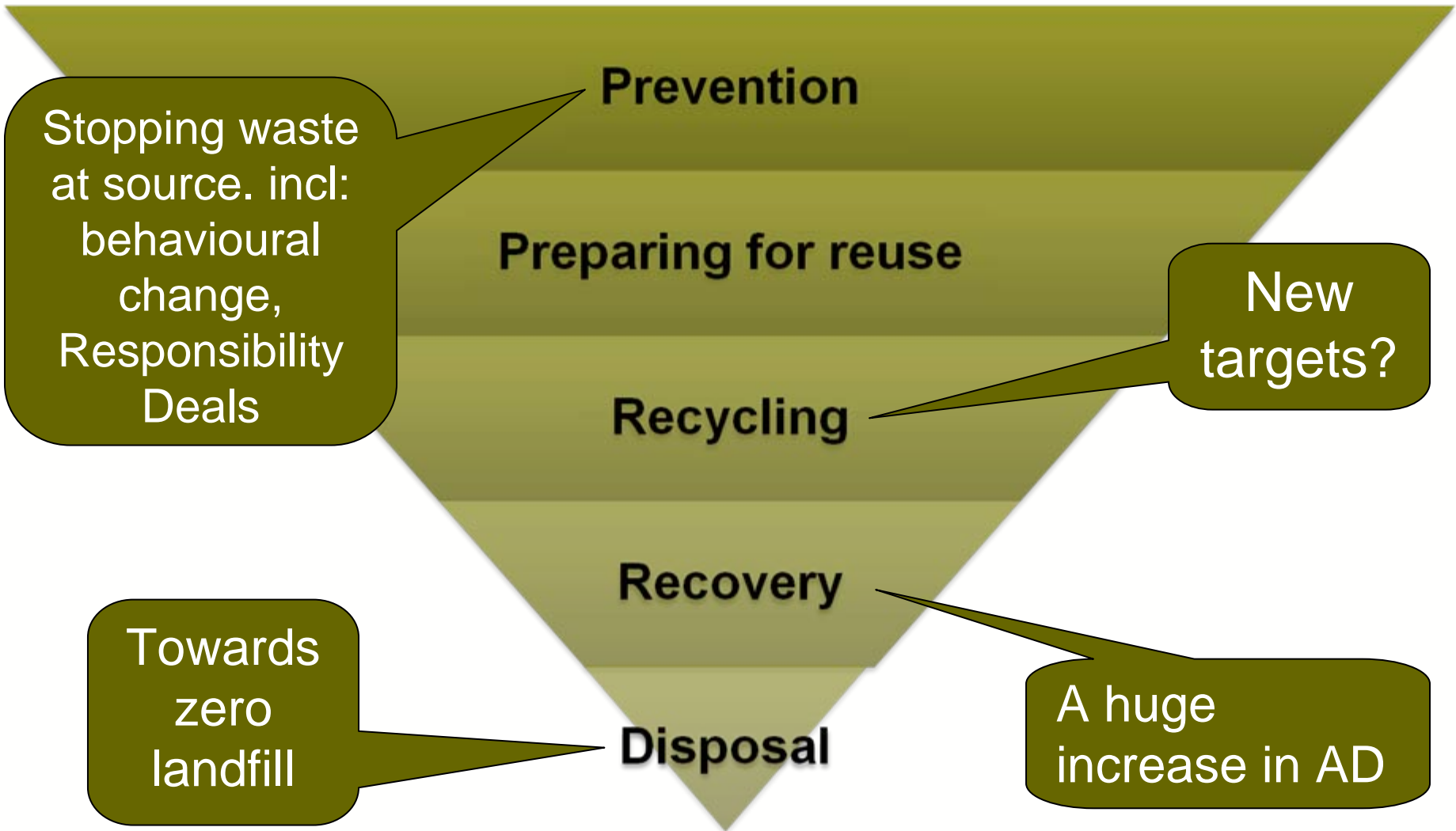
- A society where resources are fully valued – financially and environmentally.
- One person's waste is another's resource.
- Nothing is actually 'wasted'.
- Over time, get as close as we can to zero landfill.
- A new type of public consciousness about waste.

What are we reviewing?

- All aspects of waste policy and delivery in England - incl. business collection
- Ways to maximise the economic contribution
- Goals / targets for short, medium, long term
- Incentivising the waste hierarchy



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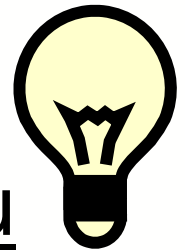


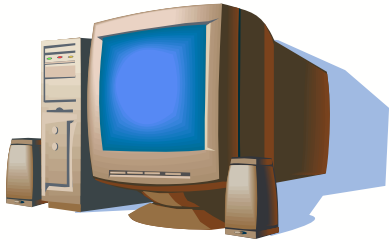
Waste Strategy 2007

- WS 2007 set several targets – some binding.
- EU Landfill Directive Targets for BMW: 2010 = 75% of 1995, 2013 = 50%, 2020 = 35%
- National Targets – recycling and composting of household waste: 40% by 2010, 45% by 2015, and 50% by 2020
- Recovery of municipal waste: 53% by 2010, 67% by 2015 and 75% by 2020

What next?

- Publishing Terms of Reference shortly
- Issuing a Call for Evidence over the summer
- Interactive website?
- Regional stakeholder events
- Will want input into the Review from you
- Initial findings next Spring





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