

Get Reuse Right

Circular Communities Scotland is calling on the Scottish Government to **Get Reuse Right** for Scotland's circular charities and social enterprises.

On behalf of our 270+ members, we are asking all MSPs to support the following policy priorities, and for the Scottish Government to take action to deliver them.

Key policy priorities

- **Equip the community reuse sector to be more resilient.**
 - Introduce a reuse credits scheme for the community reuse sector.
 - Direct a sustainable flow of products to community reuse organisations through implementing restrictions on the disposal of unsold goods.
 - Strengthen public procurement policy to prioritise purchasing from community reuse organisations before purchasing new.
- **Embed community reuse as a local, easy and affordable choice.**
 - Require local authorities to prioritise preparation for reuse in the new statutory Household Recycling Code of Practice.
 - Improve signposting of existing services and support organisations to expand where community reuse options are limited.
 - Roll out a Scottish Repair Voucher scheme, starting with a regional pilot.
- **Prioritise reuse over recycling.**
 - Commission research to establish a national baseline for reuse, then use it to set ambitious and measurable targets for national reuse, priority materials, and local authority preparation for reuse.

In the last year alone, our members saved 131,772 tonnes of CO₂, supported over 2,500 jobs and provided nearly 8,500 volunteer positions¹, helping to cut emissions and waste, reduce pressure on household budgets, support the local economy and strengthen communities.

Taken together, delivering these policies would move Scotland forward in the transition to a circular economy in a way that maximises the benefits for communities.

[View our full policy priorities here.](#)

¹ <https://circularcommunities.scot/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Circular-Communities-Scotland-2025-Impact-Report.pdf>