

Engaging our communities on the Climate Emergency

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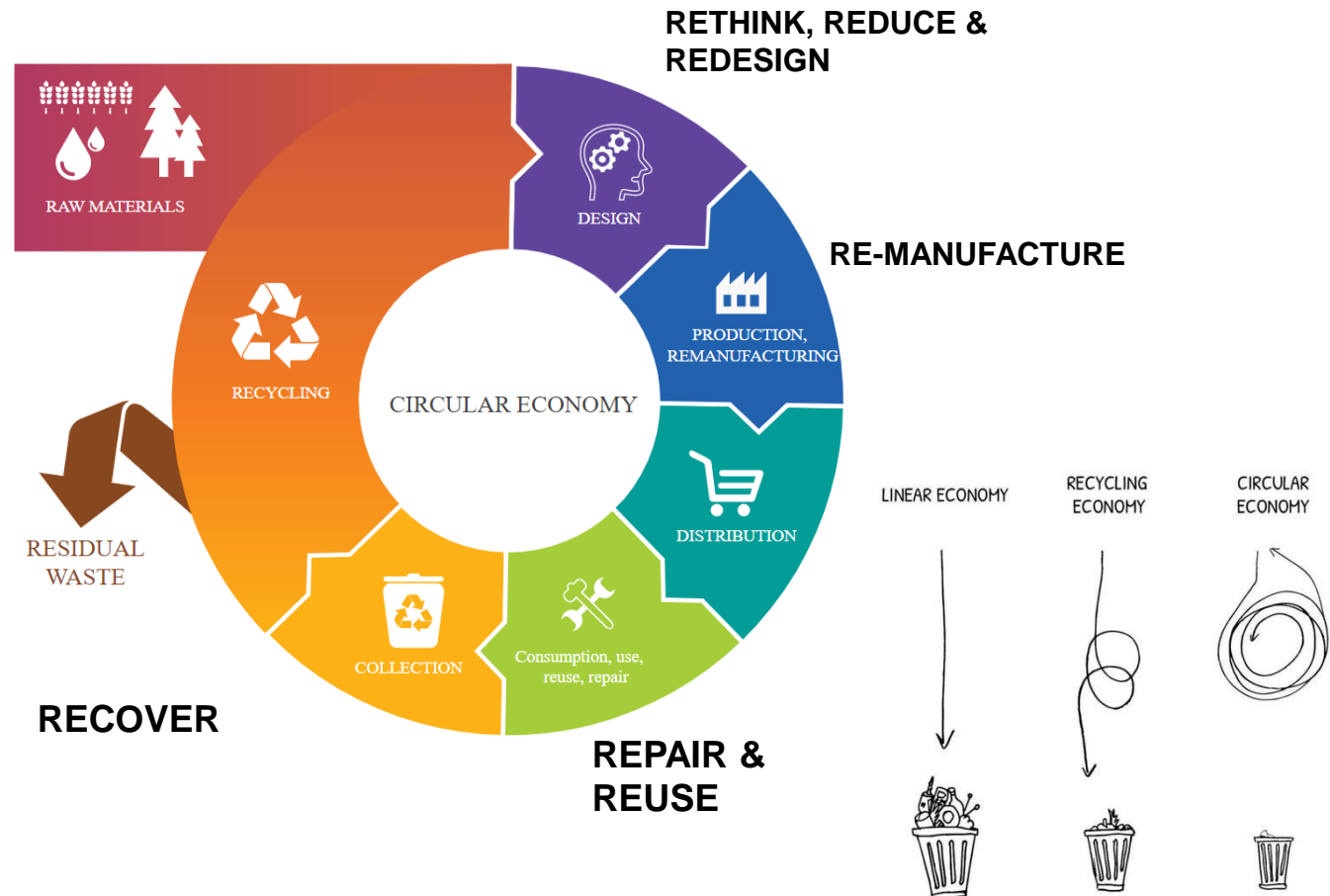
How do we move to a more Circular Economy?

What is the Circular Economy

An economic system that is based on an optimisation of resources that are already in the system:

- Eliminate waste & pollution through product design
- Keep products and materials in use for as long as possible
- Regenerate natural systems as an indirect impact of actions

1. **Rethink and reduce** e.g., Library of things
2. **Redesign** e.g., New homes design guide
3. **Repair & remanufacture** e.g., Repair cafes
4. **Reuse** e.g., Dress for success
5. **Recycle** e.g., Bulky item recycling
6. **Recover** e.g., Energy from waste (last resort)



Our key questions for discussion

- How do we **motivate residents and businesses reuse, repair and reduce waste?**
- How to **support businesses to adopt Circular Economy practices?**

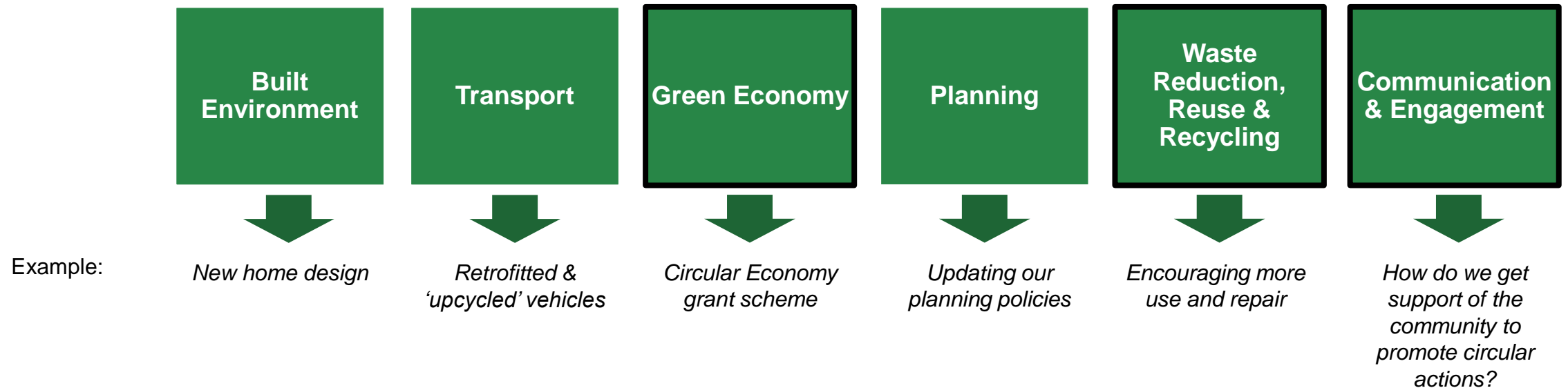
Questions we would like to you think about while we are in discussion:

- How can your network support us?
- How can you help us support these messages?
- What's happening in the community already that we can help amplify?

Recap of the Circular Economy Action Plan

- i. How we will **apply circular economy principles to our policies and strategies**
- ii. **Actions we are already taking**
- iii. **Additional actions we are committing to**, the plan focuses on six areas broadly aligned with vision 2030 priorities, and is the start of the journey about embedding principles and a foundation for action

Focus areas:



Making businesses more circular

What we have done

In 2021-2022 we provided practical support to micro-small businesses for them to implement CE initiatives; strengthening their capacity and equipping them with the tools to collectively help us meet our net zero ambitions

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Businesses awarded grants of £5k or £10k

95%

Grantees agree their business has seen commercial benefits or will in future

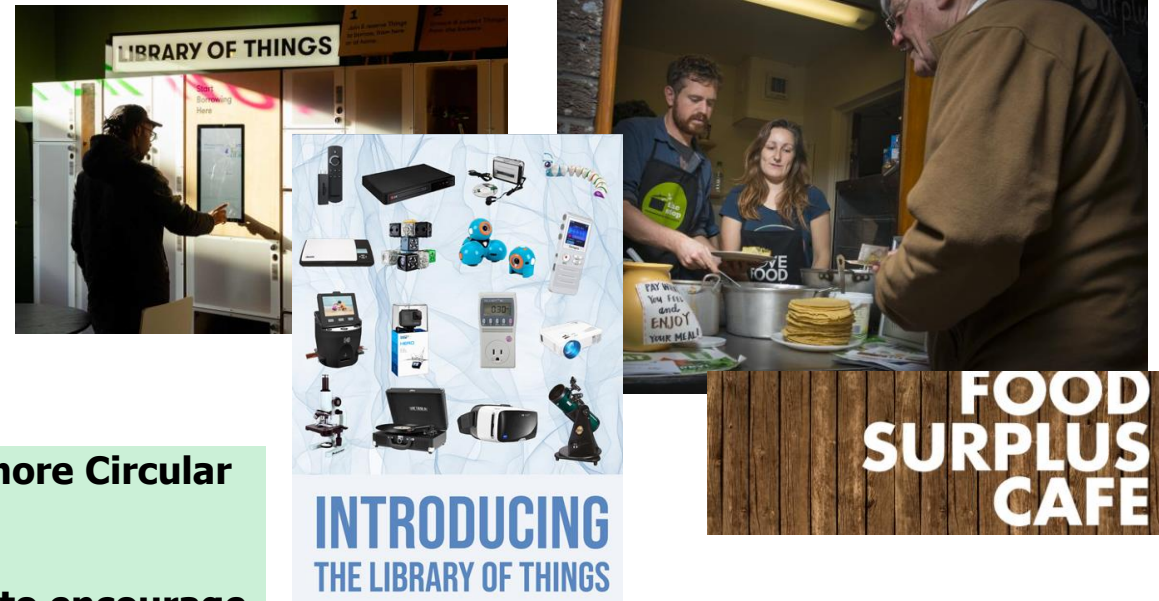
7,724kg
of waste avoided

What else can be done to support businesses to adopt more Circular Economy practices?

How can we engage with local residents and businesses to encourage interest?

What we're exploring

As part of our Cally Strategy we are exploring introducing a Food Surplus Café & Library of Things



Discussion: A focus on reuse & repair following Repair Week

 **Repair Week**
20-26 March

Visit our free workshops in March and give your pre-loved items a new lease of life!

Fashion Enter – garment upcycling and repair
Mon 20 – Thur 23, drop in 10am–3pm
113-115 Fonthill Road shop

MerIT – computer maintenance/troubleshooting
Wed 22 and Thur 23, 3–5pm
40 Bowling Green Lane, room 127, EC1R 0NE

Islington Repair Team – furniture upcycling
Thurs 23, 10am–3pm
Bush Industrial Estate, Station Rd, N19 5UN

Team Repair – electric game console/toy repairs (8-14yrs)
Thurs 23, 3.30–4.30pm and 5–6pm
Elisabeth House Centre, N5 1ED

Repair Cafe – electronic item repair
Sat 25, 11am–3pm
Vibast Centre, 167 Old Str, EC1 9NH

PatchPatch – textile upcycling
Thur 23 March, 2–6pm
Coatbridge House, N1 0DX

Islington and Dr Bike – bike repair and maintenance
Sun 19, 10am–12pm,
Sun 25, 10–12pm and 1–3pm
Birchmore Hall, N5 2UA

