NWPP HIGHLIGHTS 2019

Resources & Raw Materials
Maximising use of products and materials towards a circular economy.
- National circular manufacturing platform established, targeting 20% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions & waste production.
- Rediscovery Centre launched circular economy mentoring academy with nine founding member groups.
- CRNI supported their members to reuse 24,000 tonnes of materials.

Food Waste Prevention
Reducing waste in households, retailers and along the food production chain.
- 23,000 followers engaged on food waste by social media, along with over 12,000 monthly visits to the stopfoodwaste.ie website.
- Over 2.3 million people reached during a two-week media campaign.
- Guidance published to help food service businesses save €300M in food waste costs.
- 400 people trained on food waste reduction in workplaces and community groups.

Plastics
Displacing single-use plastic items through prevention, reuse and recycling actions.
- National survey on attitudes & behaviours regarding plastics completed showing strong public interest in curbing plastic waste.
- New campus waste project established focussed on avoiding single-use plastics and food waste at Irish Universities.
- EPA shortlisted in Enterprise Ireland’s Small Business Innovation Research programme for solutions to reduce consumption of single-use plastics.

Local Waste Prevention
Mobilising and empowering communities to make changes for sustainable and circular living.
- Local authorities funded for 58 community waste prevention initiatives such as public water fountains and green festivals.
- 8,300 items reused on FreeTrade Ireland.
- RepairMyStuff.ie directory connected 800 businesses with 8,000 monthly users.

Construction & Demolition
Working with industry and others to tackle high-volume wastes in this critical sector.
- Online repository published of Irish and international best-practice documents.
- C&D waste prevention recommendations produced for action in 2020 and beyond.
- Conversations on a Circular Economy seminar held at Rediscovery Centre focussed on Construction & Demolition waste.

Agriculture
Increasing output efficiency and reducing carbon emissions for sustainable food production.
- Smart Farming worked on 50 farms, identifying 10% greenhouse gas emissions reductions and savings of €6,336 per farm.
- Revised water guidance published for farmers on enhancing the rural environment through water conservation and water quality actions.
- Smart Farming selected as a national Sustainable Development Goals Champion.