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# A new approach to recycling in Greater Manchester: Reuse Shops and the Recycle for Greater Manchester Community Fund

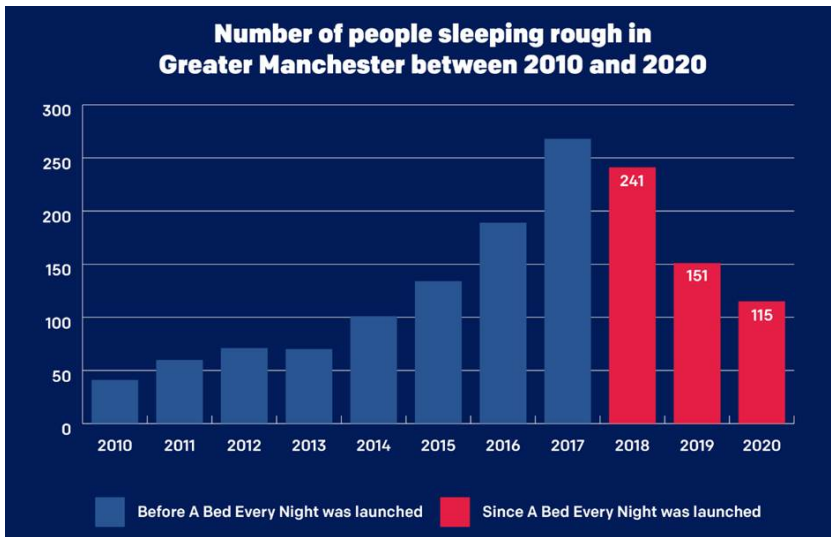
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# Background

SUEZ has more than 50 social value commitments within the contractual agreement with GMCA, as well as a commitment to increase household waste recycling and transition towards a circular economy



- As part of our commitments we plan to open 3 new reuse shops called 'Renew', as well as a hub
- These will operate on a not-for-profit basis, with any profits being used to support good causes across Greater Manchester
- Each year, £100,000 will be given to the Greater Manchester Mayor's Charity and a minimum of £220,000 will be given to the Recycle for Greater Manchester Community Fund



One example of a good cause is the 'bed every night' scheme supported through the Mayor's Charity



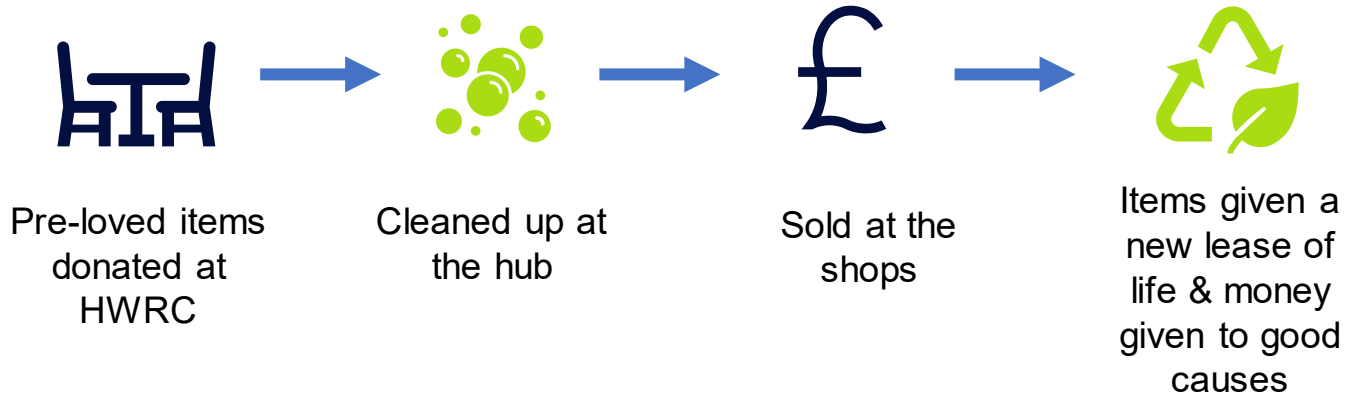
Creating value from  
waste to benefit Greater  
Manchester by working  
together to renew its  
potential

The image shows a white rectangular area with a green border. At the top center is the 'Renew' logo, which consists of the word 'Renew' in a bold, sans-serif font. The 'R' is green and has a dashed green circle around it. To the right of 'Renew' is a stylized green scribble. Below 'Renew' is the text 'Pre-loved items' in a smaller green font, and 'for you, your home &amp; garden' in a smaller black font. In the bottom left corner is the 'R4GM' logo, which is a circular logo with 'R4GM' in the center and 'Recycle for Greater Manchester' below it. In the bottom right corner is the 'suez' logo, which is a green circular icon followed by the word 'suez' in a bold, sans-serif font.

# Renew shops



Through the shops, pre-loved household items which may have been originally destined for waste will be donated at our household waste recycling centres and will be cleaned/repaired if necessary (at the hub) before being sold to residents, giving them access to affordable items for their home and garden.





# Renew shops

Locations & opening hours

**Woodhouse Ln HWRC, Boynope Wharf HWRC, Arkwright St TLS**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am-4pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday 10am-6pm

Photos from our reuse shops in Surrey as an example:

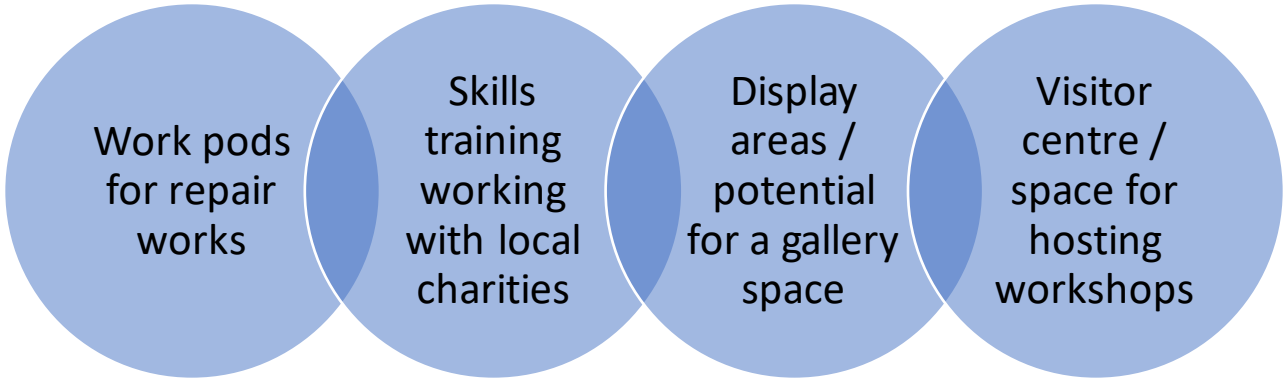


# Renew hub

The hub will be developed in phases over 2021.

Initially, it is a storage place for pre-loved items from the HWRCs to be repaired/upcycled and sold through the renew shops.

It will develop into a creative space for residents, other like minded businesses, charities and partners that we choose to work with, to bring a much greater social value.



# Items that can be donated (examples)

## Items for the garden

Garden furniture  
Pots  
Ornaments  
Cast iron

## DIY

Hand tools  
Step ladders

## Bric-a-brac

Ornaments  
Frames/mirrors  
Baskets  
Tea sets  
CDs/DVDs/LPs

## Sports equipment

Bikes/scooters  
Tennis/Snooker/Darts  
equipment  
Golf clubs  
Exercise equipment (non  
electrical)

## Vintage/collectables

Trunks/crates  
Musical instruments  
Old signage  
Suitcases  
Hand crank sewing  
machines

## Toys

Puzzles  
Board games  
Books  
Children's toys/teddies

## Furniture

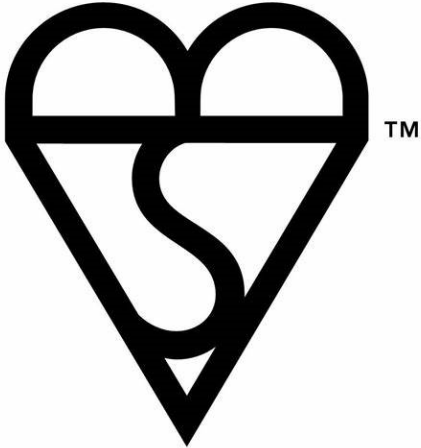
Tables  
Chairs  
Sideboards  
Drawers  
Wardrobes  
Sofas

# Labels required

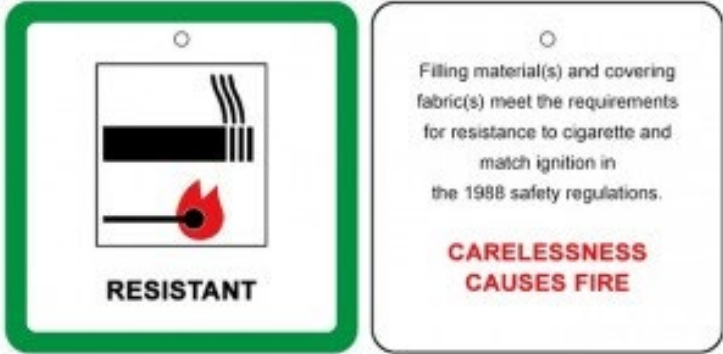
We cannot sell items of the nature described without the below safety marks:



Children's toys must have a CE safety mark or the new UK equivalent (UKCA)



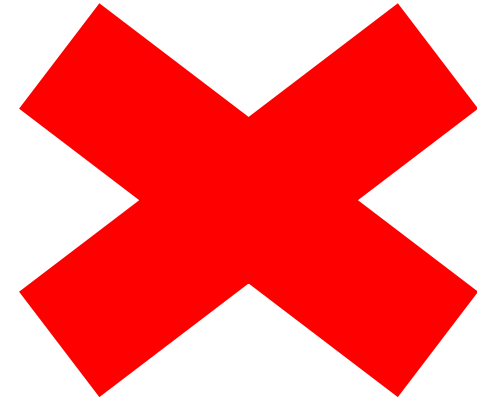
Glass items must have the kite safety mark



Upholstered furniture must have the fire safety label still attached



# Items that we cannot accept



We cannot accept:

- ❖ Electrical items
- ❖ Petrol/diesel/gas powered items
- ❖ Textiles
- ❖ Toys containing chemical substances
- ❖ Mattresses
- ❖ Crash helmets
- ❖ Car seats / Cots / Highchairs / Prams
- ❖ NHS equipment

# R4GM Community Fund



- The Recycle for Greater Manchester Community Fund (CF) is a Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) and SUEZ initiative
- Returning revenue from waste management back to the wider community.
- It aims to encourage applications for new and innovative waste and recycling community projects
- Community Fund will be part of the Greater Manchester Environmental Fund which is managed by Lancashire Wildlife Trust



# How much funding is available?



- The fund is supported through the profits of the 3 'Renew' reuse shops.

Woodhouse Lane, Trafford

Boysnope Wharf in Salford

Arkwright St, Oldham

- Every year £220,000 will be made available from

Renew shop profits

SUEZ social value support

# Our focus for year one

- This year we will focus on these priority areas:
  - waste prevention
  - reducing contamination
  - reuse of household waste
  - increasing recycling
- Projects will need to focus on one or more of these priority waste streams:
  - Food waste
  - Paper and card
  - Glass
  - Textiles
  - Furniture
  - Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment



# Who can apply and for how much?

Recycle for Greater Manchester  
**Community Fund**

Reference Number (for official use only)

## Application Form

Please complete all sections in the form and don't exceed the word limit. You should refer to the Guidance notes for details of what information is required in each section of the application form.

**SECTION 1: YOUR DETAILS**

- Name of project
- Name of organisation submitting application
- Type of organisation
- Details of principal contact
  - Name
  - Email
  - Mobile No
- Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) District covered by this project (please tick appropriate boxes)
  - Bolton  Burnley  Manchester  Oldham  Rochdale  Salford
  - Stockport  Tameside  Trafford  Greater Manchester wide

**SECTION 2: WHICH PRIORITY WASTE MATERIALS ARE YOU TARGETING?**

- Tell us which of the priority household waste materials your project will target (tick all that apply to your project)

	Reuse	Recycle	Waste Prevention	Reduce Contamination	Sustainable Use
Food Waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paper and Card	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glass, cans, plastic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Textiles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Furniture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
WEEE*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

\*Waste Electronic and Electrical Equipment

- Registered Charity,
  - Not-for-profit organisation, Community,
  - Neighbourhood or Voluntary Group,
  - Faith group delivering community work,
  - School, College or University
- District Level Awards – a total of £180,000 available for projects based in one district area only
  - Awards will be for a maximum of £10,000 per project per project
  - City Region wide award Max. £40,000 available for projects based in more than one district area
  - Award for project across districts max £20, 000 per project

# Fund timetable and communications plan

1st April 2021	Applications Open
31st May 2021	Applications close
By 30th June 2021	Evaluation of submissions
By 15th July 2021	Funding offers to successful projects
By 15th July 2021	Unsuccessful projects notified
By 31st July 2021	Grants provided and projects commence
By 30th September 2022	Project evaluation report submitted

- Communications plan
- Community Fund application form and Guidance available the R4GM website
- GMEF website live mid March 2021

# Thank you

Let us know if you have any questions —  
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