

SWITCH Forum

SWITCH (Scottish Waste Industry Training, Competency, Health & Safety) is a multi-partnership forum made up of organisations across all sectors within the resource management industry with two main areas of focus:

- **Health & Safety:** Supporting continual improvement in health and safety; and
- **Education, Training & Competence:** Creating training, learning and development opportunities.

The Forum aims to provide leadership by working collaboratively to raise standards of health and safety, training, learning and development, and technical competence. The Forum ultimately looks to promote the Scottish resource management industry as an attractive career choice.

A range of organisations make up the SWITCH Forum including representatives from private waste management companies, advisory bodies, local authorities, Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM), Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA), the Scottish Government and Zero Waste Scotland amongst others.

Getting involved with SWITCH gives you access to important sector specific information and allows your voice to be heard. Personal input from individuals in the resource management industry is vital for ensuring the success of the SWITCH Forum aims.

The key priorities for SWITCH over the next 18 months are:

- Providing clarity on the aims, objectives and remit of the SWITCH Forum to increase awareness of SWITCH.
- Promoting new and existing WISH Guidance
- Promoting the education, training and competency priorities, including the launch of the new Competency Framework:
- A focus on key priority areas including *Reducing Fire Risk at Waste Management Sites, Occupational Health and Transport*.

For more information, including how to become involved with SWITCH, to share your experiences of good practice or just to find out more please visit the [SWITCH pages](#) on the CIWM website or email switch@zerowastescotland.org.uk.
