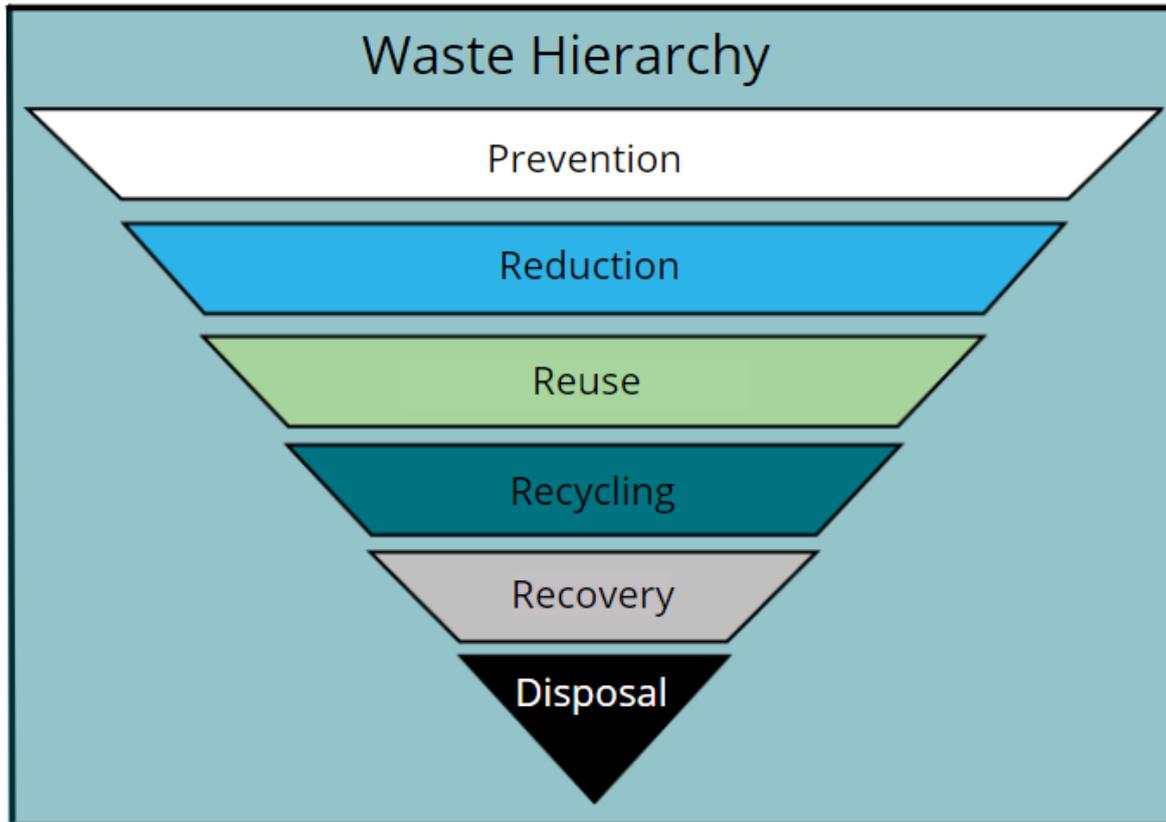


## Cumbria Waste Group (CWG) – Our Contribution in Delivering the Waste Hierarchy

CWG provide customers with recycling and waste management solutions at all points in the waste hierarchy, delivering benefits of environmental protection, recycling valuable materials and overall reducing carbon impact.



**Prevention and Reduction:** CWG can offer a full waste survey to determine where prevention and reduction of waste can be obtained through changes within the process. We are experienced in offering solutions to redesign collection methods, goods and packaging to achieve prevention and/or reduction of waste. We have supported organisations and ran education campaigns, raising awareness of behaviors that generate waste and how this can be reduced.

**Reuse:** CWG offer advice and solutions to redistribute unwanted items such as clothes, furniture and IT equipment through avenues such as local charities, schools and Social Enterprise. The company also operates an aggregate recycling facility that accepts construction and demolition waste which processes the material into recycled aggregates and soil products. We produce these to a quality conforming to The Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP) protocol for the production of aggregates from inert waste.

**Recycling:** Circular economy is at the forefront of our business, ensuring we capture all recyclables, either at source or through our processing facilities.

We operate our own fleet of modern vehicles, and work with other partners organisations, to ensure high capture rates from customer premises.

We operate 2 Material Recycling Facilities in Carlisle and Middlesbrough, that segregate commonly collected materials, such as paper, card, plastics and metals, into single material streams. These separated materials are taken to one of our trusted recycling partners, and subsequently converted into new products. Thus, providing a closed-loop and sustainable recycling solution.

**Recovery:** Where material cannot be recycled, maximum landfill diversion is achieved by creating Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF) or Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF) from residual waste. This allows the generation of renewable and low carbon energy, reducing the requirement for landfill.

**Disposal:** After the above options have been exhausted, CWG uses one of its 2 landfill sites mainly for disposal of difficult and inert waste streams.