

Waste and Resources Evidence Programme

The **Waste**Consortium
Symposium

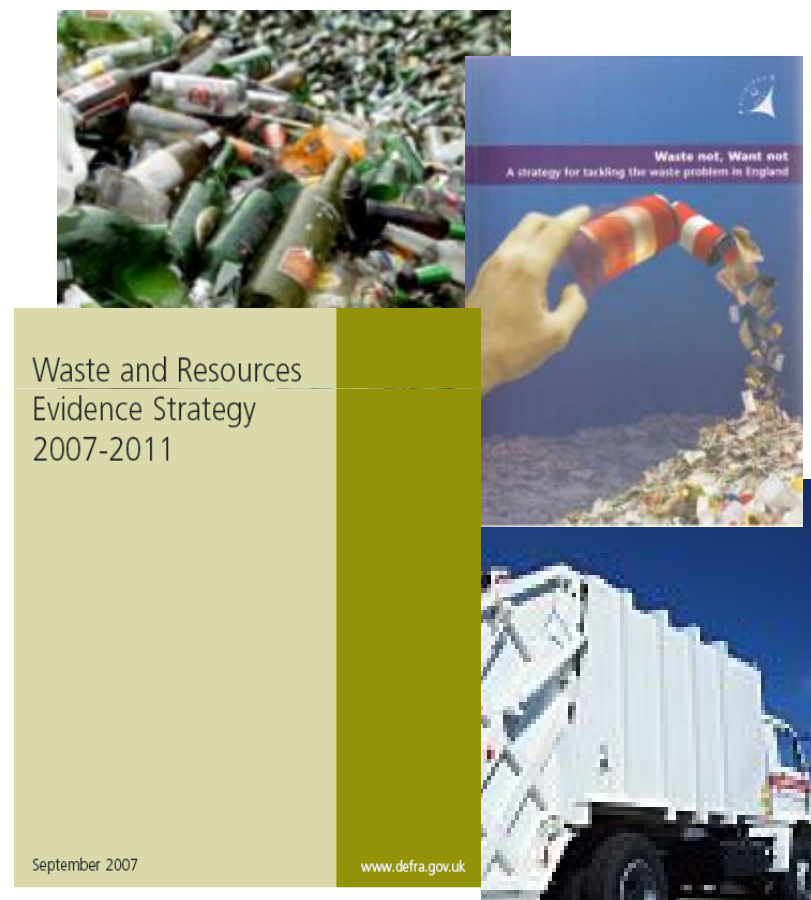
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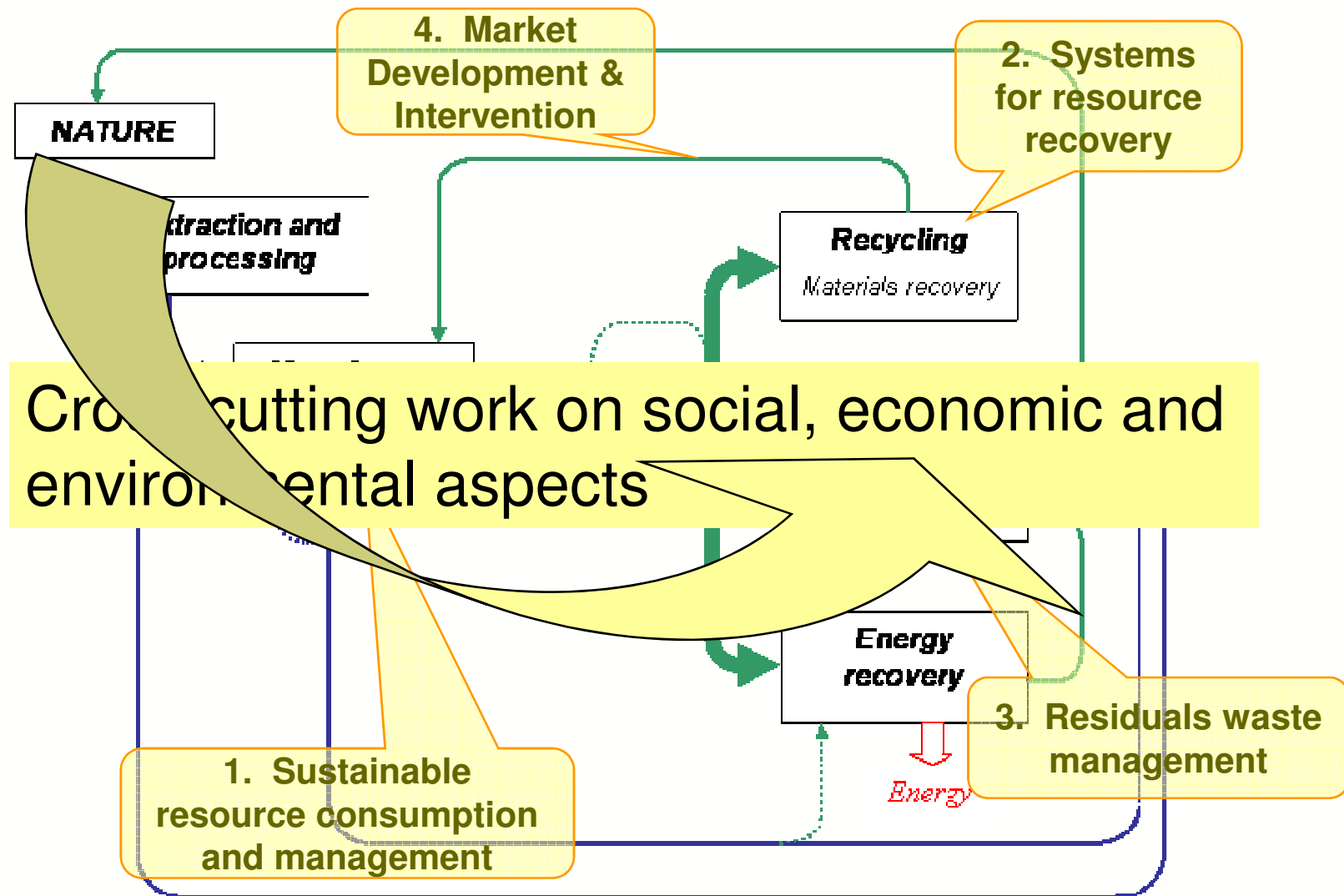


WREP Background

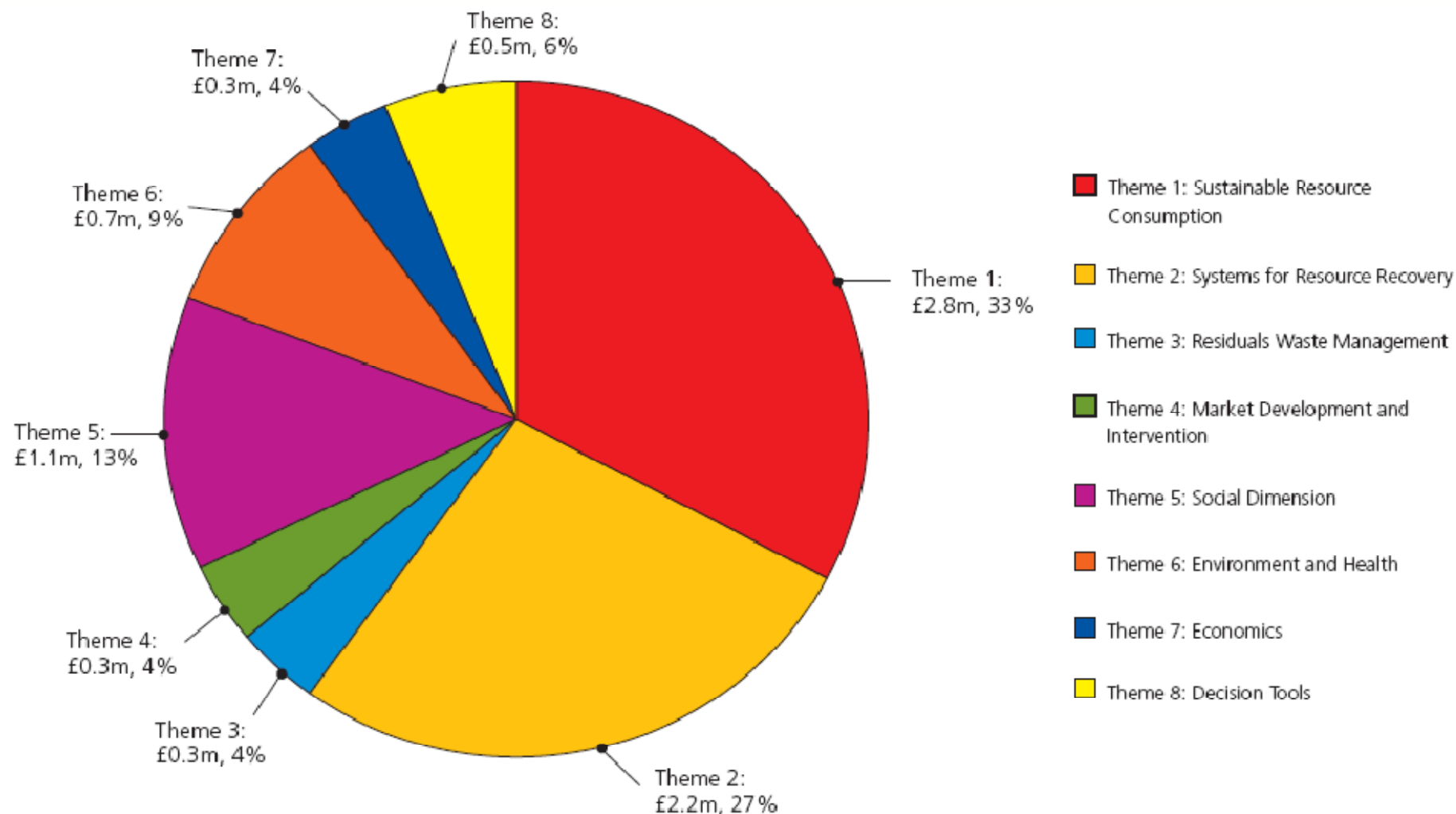
- Aim is to provide a sound evidence base to underpin policy-making
- Now entering its 2nd 3-year cycle
- Approaching 100 projects
- Focus now on implementing new English waste strategy



The Resource Cycle Influence



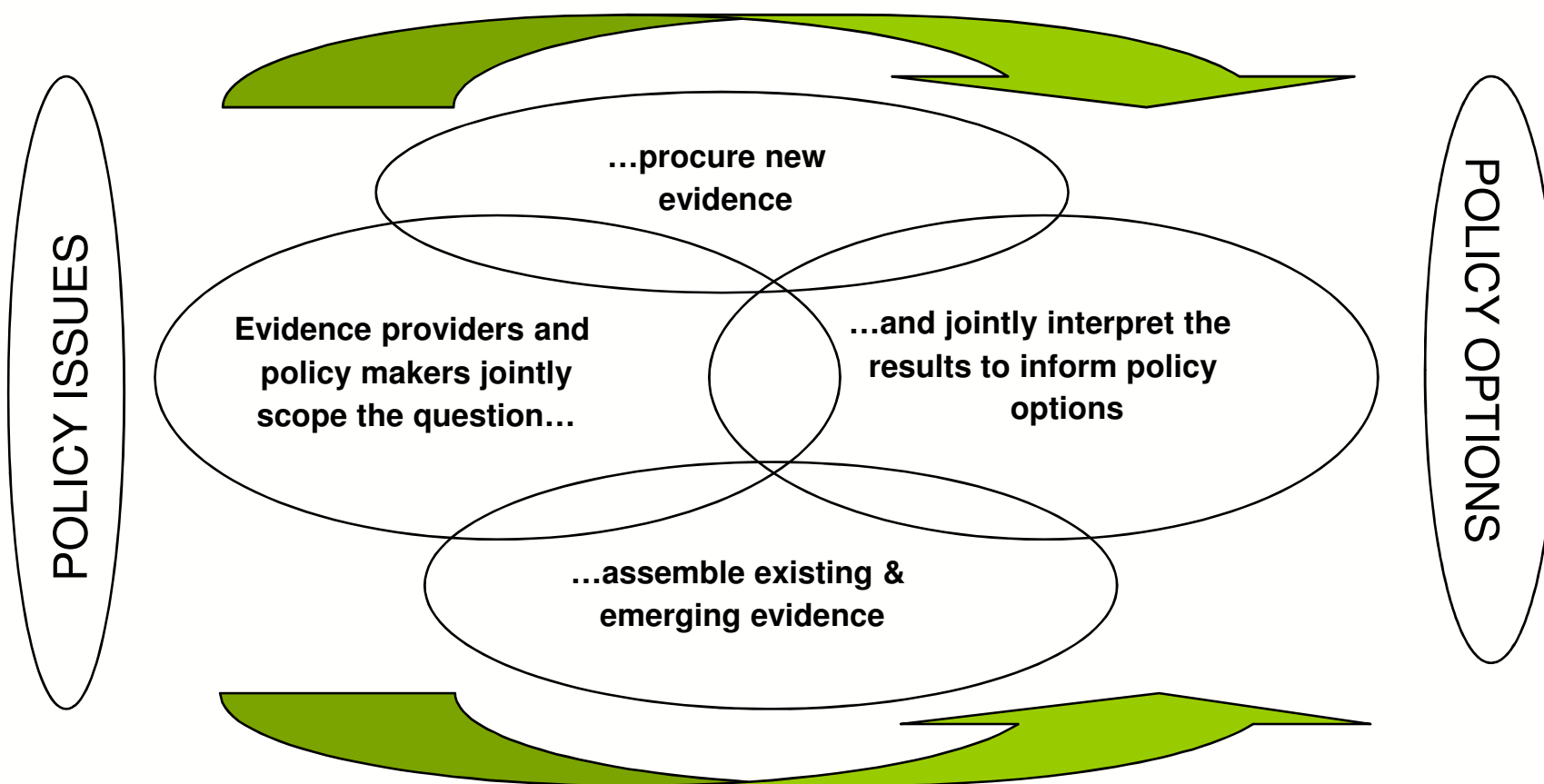
What has been achieved to date



Total Contracted Spend of the WREP to date (by first R&D Strategy themes)

EBPM Approach for 2007-2011 Strategy

A longer time frame allows evidence from *primary research* to complement existing knowledge.



A shorter time frame means that *secondary research* and evidence networks will be more cost-effective

Commitments in the Evidence Strategy

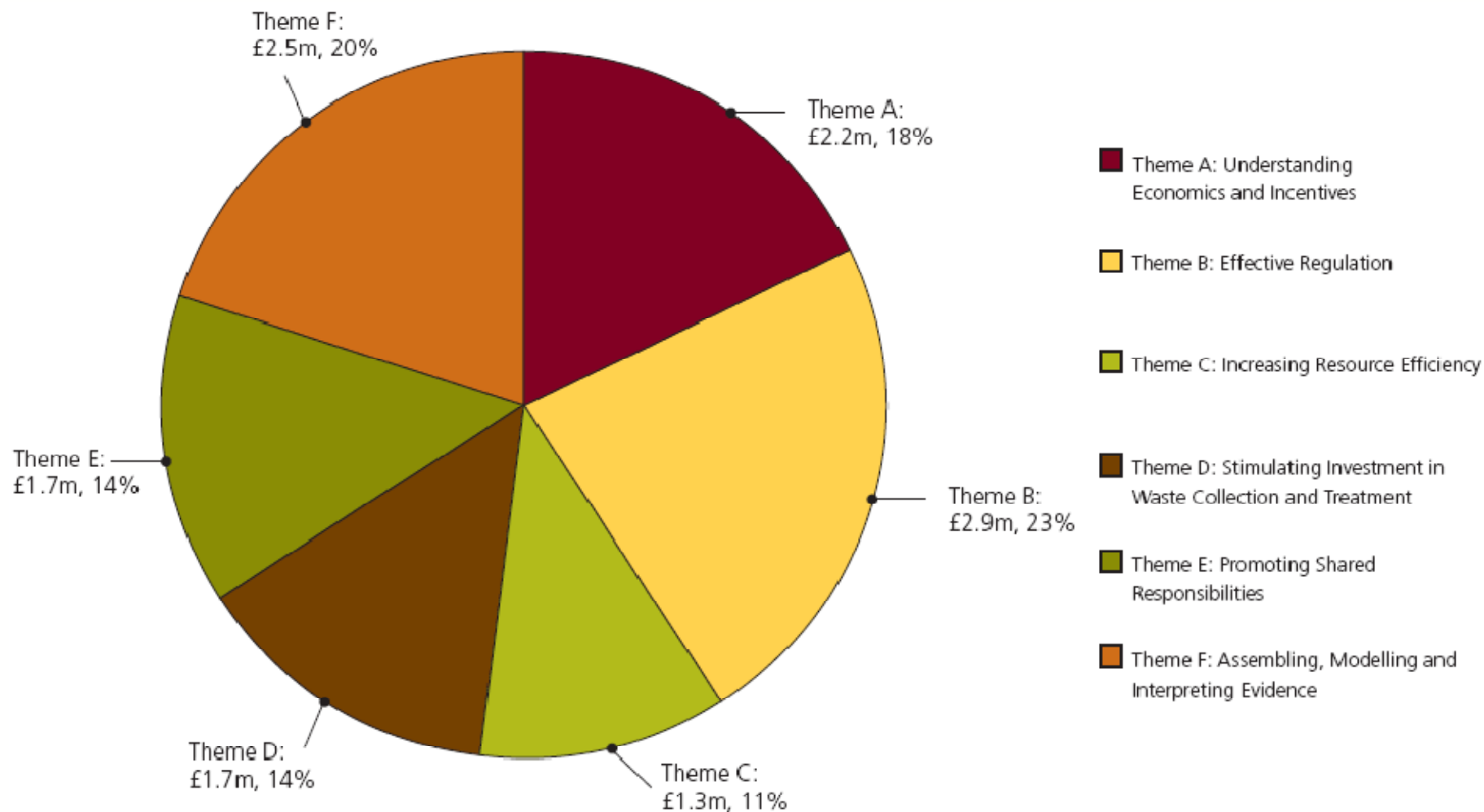


- Projects aligned to waste policy evidence needs
- Inter- and multi-disciplinary research:
 - Social and physical sciences
 - More secondary analysis in evidence generation
- Increased knowledge-brokering emphasis
- Heightened focus on M&E and outcomes
- Build and strengthen links/synergies (internal and external)
- Strategic and planned communications and dissemination
- Seek out shared funding for added value
- Institutional governance and accountability (Defra Renew)

WREP Emphasis 2007 - 2011

<i>Overarching policy issue</i>	<i>Key examples of policy development & implementation</i>
A. Understanding Economics and Incentives	Landfill pricing; LATs; Household Incentives for Recycling
B. Effective Regulation	Enforcement and Illegal Waste Activity; Hazardous Wastes; Future of Landfill; Emissions from, and Impacts of, Regulated Facilities
C. Increasing Resource Efficiency	Key Materials; Prioritising Products; Producer Responsibility; Packaging; Sectoral Approaches
D. Stimulating Investment in Waste Treatment and Collection	Recovering Energy from Waste; Markets for Recycled Materials
E. Promoting Shared Responsibilities	Local Authorities, Regional Government and Industry Interactions; The Third Sector; Wider Behavioural Change
F. Assembling, Monitoring and Interpreting Evidence	Carbon Indicators; Data Issues; Resources Flow Modelling, Evidence-based Policy-Making

Spending allocations 2007 - 2011



Spending Bid for WREP 2007-2011 - £15M over 3 years

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