Evidence Submission

ROYAL SOCIETY OF CHEMISTRY

Our asksin brief

We stress the importance and urgent need for a coherent suite of policy interventions by UK government in space which includes:

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Has the UK Government considered all essential aspects of tackling WEEE in its consultation? The Royal Society of Chemistry welcomed the intention behind many of the proposals that were set out in the WEEE consultations. However, there is a clear need for a coherent suite of interventions that address the complex challenges presented by WEEE if we are to enable a circular economy of the materials it contains. Currently, there is no clear overarching strategy that sets out how the UK will ¹⁰ End-of-life-management: Solar Photovoltaic Panel International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), 2016

- ¹¹Our engagement on chemicals, waste and pollutic Royal Society of Chemistry
- ¹² Critical raw materials in waste electrical and electronic equipme Royal Society of Chemistry, 2019
- ¹³<u>The Future Chemistry Workforce and Educational Pathw</u>ageval Society of Chemistry and Lightcast, 2024.