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ELECTRONIC WASTE

The UK produces about 915,000 tonnes of waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) each year which has traditionally been dumped into Landfill Sites. The WEEE Directive was adopted by Europe to tackle this waste stream in member states and is now UK law.

Community Computers is a charity that accepts computers donated by local authorities, businesses and individuals who would prefer to see them reused in the community rather than disposed of into landfill sites.

We can only refurbish computers for reuse if they are in a reasonable condition and of a minimum specification.

If we are unable to **REFURBISH** your old computer, then we have to **RECYCLE** it as Electronic Waste.

To do this, we have to break your old computer down into Plastic, Metal, and Glass to be forwarded for recycling. This costs us the same charges that are being made to commercial organisations. We now have to pass on these costs and make a charge of £8 per unit to recycle or refurbish any electronic waste on your behalf.

If a donor wishes to break down their electronic waste into Plastic, Metal, and Glass, then we will happily accept their old computer to be recycled free of charge.

Traditionally the UK has been heavily reliant on landfill: of a total 28.2 million tonnes of municipal waste produced last year, about 23 million tonnes was landfilled. The electronic waste we produce is growing by 8% every year.

We believe that anyone who has genuine concern for our environment will be happy to pay a nominal charge to have their electronic waste disposed of by Community Computers.