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International E-Waste Day 14th October 2026

International E-Waste Day raises the profile of the global e-waste issue and encourages everyone to recycle e-waste, no matter how small.
It also promotes the correct treatment of electrical and electronic equipment to enable reuse, refurbishment and recycling.
This year the focus is on **FAST TECH**. Fast Tech describes the expanding universe of low-cost electrical and electronic items that consumers purchase, often on impulse, and discard without a second thought. Think earphones bought at the airport, fancy charging cables, USB adapters, LED string lights, mini fans, single use vapes, toys and other type of gadgets.



So they ask us to recognise that every small device with a plug, cable or a battery, no matter how little or inexpensive, is e-waste at the end of its life and requires proper treatment. Do not chuck it in the bin. Instead **return it**: bring fast tech items to official collection points, in-store take-back locations, or dedicated e-waste drop-off sites. **Read more at** https://weee-forum.org/iewd-about

National Reuse Day UK 18th October 2026



National Reuse Day is an awareness day created to encourage us all to reuse items instead of throwing them away. Created by Freegle, to promote helping all of us reuse our unwanted items.

How Freegle works is that you list an item that you have but want to give away on their website, someone from your local community sees your ad and contacts you. You give the item to them. It's a win-win situation - you dispose of your unwanted item, someone else can use it for free!

www.reducereuserecycle.co.uk/greenarticles/national_reuse_day.php

You can also give your unwanted items free to Charity Shops, or Facebook Thrift sites such as Offerton Thrift or Hazel Grove Thrift.

Water Night UK 24th October 2026



Water Night is lead by water-saving charity Waterwise.

Could you go a night without running water?

Water Night started in Australia, it now a nationwide moment to pause, reflect, and experience firsthand how much we reply on water all day every day.

In the UK we are asked to turn off our taps, and not to use water for 5 hours, to rethink our water use. Highlighting the importance of protecting this most precious of resources.

Take a personal pledge not to use any water between 5pm and 10pm on Saturday 24th October. Give it a go and rethink your water usage.

https://waterwise.org.uk/campaign/water-night-2026/