KEY MILESTONES

Double resource productivity by 2050

Eliminate avoidable waste of all kinds by 2050

Eliminate avoidable plastic waste over the lifetime of the 25 Year Environment Plan

Work towards eliminating food waste to landfill by 2030

Work towards all plastic packaging placed on the market being recyclable, reusable or compostable by 2025

Above timeline:

- Introducing a deposit return scheme (early 2019)
- Ensuring a consistent set of recyclable materials is collected from all households and businesses (early 2019)
- Standards for bio-based and biodegradable plastics (early/mid 2019)
- Consultation on food waste reporting (mid 2019)
- Transposition of the Circular Economy Package (2019)
- Extended producer responsibility for waste electronic and electrical equipment (2020)
- 50% recycling rate for household waste (2020)
- Roll-out of a deposit return scheme* (2023)
- Revision of the Resorces and Waste Strategy (2023/24)
- 65% recycling rate for municipal solid waste (2035)

Timeline years: 2019 | 2020 | 2023 | 2025 | 2030 | 2035 | 2042 | 2050

Below timeline:

- Extended producer responsibility for packaging (early 2019)
- Appointment of a food waste champion (early 2019)
- Launch of £15m food redistribution projects (early 2019)
- Stage one of mandatory digital recording of waste movements complete (2019)
- Reform of exemptions from waste permitting for high risk activities (2019)
- Waste carriers and duty of care (late 2019)
- Removal of single-use plastics from the central government estate (2020)
- Extended producer responsibility for packaging comes into force* (2023)
- Legislation for mandatory separate food waste collections* (2023)
- 75% recycling rate for packaging* (2030)
- Municipal waste to landfill 10% or less (2035)
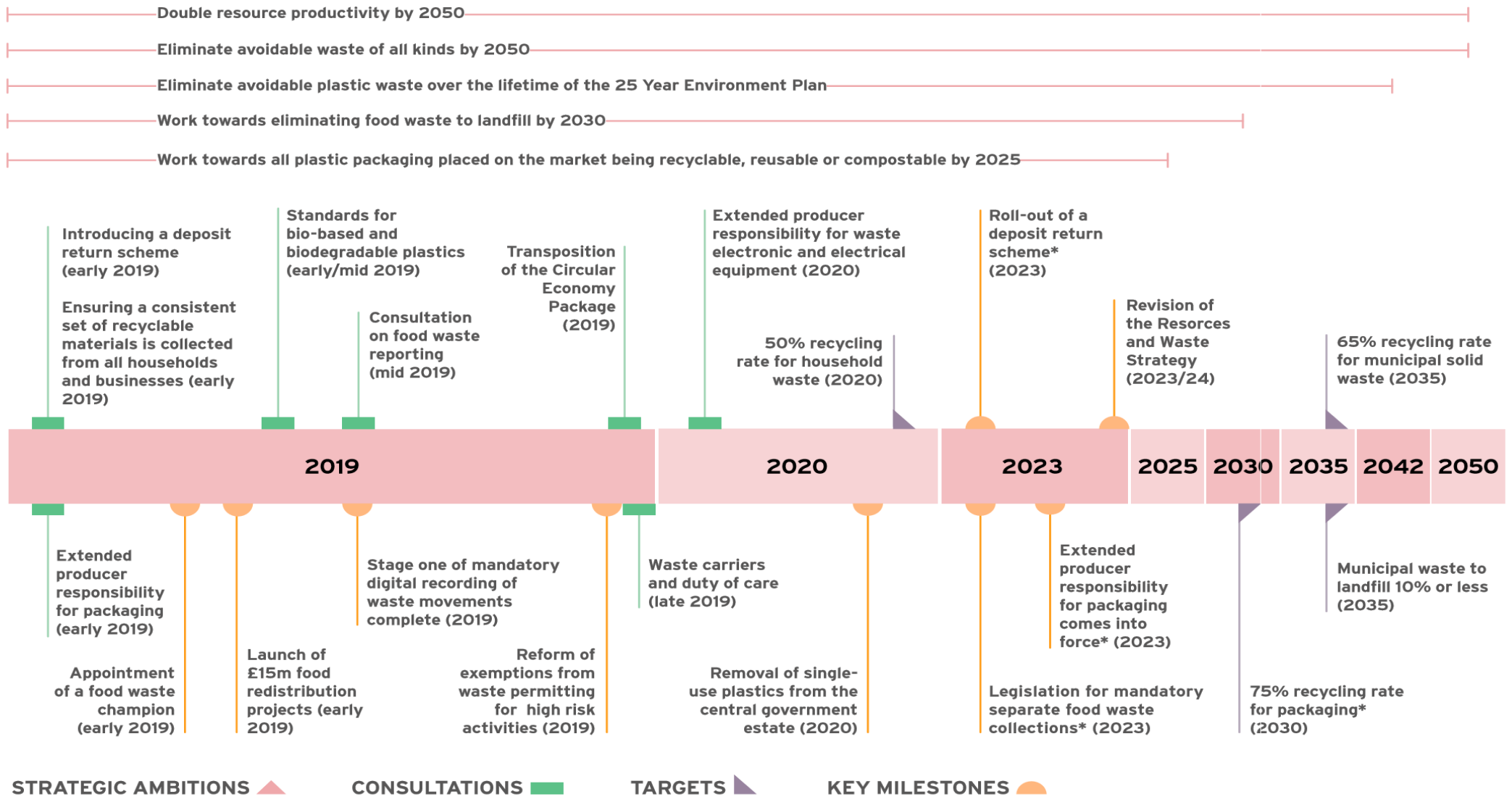
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STRATEGIC AMBITIONS ▲   CONSULTATIONS ▮   TARGETS ◤   KEY MILESTONES ●

*subject to consultation