

## SCHEDULE 4

### WASTE FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE etc.

## PART I

### GENERAL

#### Relevant objectives

4.—(1) For the purposes of this Schedule, the following objectives are relevant objectives in relation to the disposal or recovery of waste—

- (a) ensuring that waste is recovered or disposed of without endangering human health and without using processes or methods which could harm the environment and in particular without—
  - (i) risk to water, air, soil, plants or animals; or
  - (ii) causing nuisance through noise or odours; or
  - (iii) adversely affecting the countryside or places of special interest;
- (b) implementing, so far as material, any plan made under the plan-making provisions.

(2) The following additional objectives are relevant objectives in relation to the disposal of waste—

- (a) establishing an integrated and adequate network of waste disposal installations, taking account of the best available technology not involving excessive costs; and
- (b) ensuring that the network referred to at paragraph (a) above enables—
  - (i) the European Community as a whole to become self-sufficient in waste disposal, and the Member States individually to move towards that aim, taking into account geographical circumstances or the need for specialized installations for certain types of waste; and
  - (ii) waste to be disposed of in one of the nearest appropriate installations, by means of the most appropriate methods and technologies in order to ensure a high level of protection for the environment and public health.

(3) The following further objectives are relevant objectives in relation to functions under the plan-making provisions—

- (a) encouraging the prevention or reduction of waste production and its harmfulness, in particular by—
  - (i) the development of clean technologies more sparing in their use of natural resources;
  - (ii) the technical development and marketing of products designed so as to make no contribution or to make the smallest possible contribution, by the nature of their manufacture, use or final disposal, to increasing the amount or harmfulness of waste and pollution hazards; and
  - (iii) the development of appropriate techniques for the final disposal of dangerous substances contained in waste destined for recovery; and
- (b) encouraging—
  - (i) the recovery of waste by means of recycling, reuse or reclamation or any other process with a view to extracting secondary raw materials; and
  - (ii) the use of waste as a source of energy.