

# Debate

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Our 'throwaway' society means that things like mobile phones just get chucked away - like so many things with no thought for what happens to them. We should keep things for longer and recycle more.

**Fact:** There are now more mobile phones than people in the UK. Only a small percentage of phones are recycled.

**Issue:** Landfill waste sites contain more than 70% electronic waste - lots of it is potentially harmful. Many wealthier countries ship their waste to less developed parts of the world where the e-waste may be improperly dismantled and burned, producing toxic emissions harmful to waste site workers, children, and nearby communities.

**Question:** Why couldn't we use the money raised from the tax to clean up some of the pollution we have caused?



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