



The proposed Polymers Recycling Facility (PRF) is designed to help deliver Scotland's climate change and circular economy objectives, by taking recyclable materials used in Scotland and recycling them for future use within the Scottish circular economy.

A key objective of the Scottish Government's circular economy strategy is to maximise the value of materials through recycling, an objective that this facility will support Scotland in achieving.

The proposed PRF, built here, could utilise the low-carbon heat and power generated by Viridor's existing Energy Recovery Facility (ERF) on the adjacent site. Recycling facilities require significant amounts of energy and by locating it here it would assist Scotland in achieving both its resource and energy efficiency goals.

Viridor has been operating its ERF in Dunbar since 2019, converting non-recyclable waste into energy and heat. The facility currently processes around 325,000 tonnes of refuse derived fuel each year; waste that would otherwise be sent to landfill. The fuel is produced from household and commercial waste, after recyclable materials have been removed.

Key benefits

The key benefits of the proposed development include the following:

- Significant multi-million-pound investment into the local economy during the construction phase;
- Supporting up-to 600 construction jobs during development of the PRF;
- Creation of over 120 full time jobs when fully operational;
- The opportunity to recycle up to 95,000 tonnes of waste which can be re-used in the economy, which otherwise would have been landfilled or exported abroad;
- Providing a significant contribution to the Scottish Government's recycling targets and circular economy ambitions;
- The ability to utilise waste heat and energy from the ERF process.

Apprenticeship Scheme

People are the lifeblood for any sector, but with the circular economy and low carbon goals of our industry we look towards the best and the brightest to help drive our aspirations for our future development.

Apprenticeships are a fantastic way to gain valuable work experience, qualifications and can lead to a great job. Viridor offers a wide range of apprenticeship programmes at intermediate, advanced or high levels in different areas of its business.