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# 2025: A Recap

*By Elaine Brown, CEO, Edinburgh Remakery*

In 2025, we completed the final year of our Strategic Plan 2023–2025: Settle & Strengthen. This plan gave us the space to fully settle into our premises at Newkirkgate and to focus on developing and strengthening our products and services.

## **Strengthening Our Team**

We restructured our Tech Team to improve efficiency and recognise internal talent, promoting staff and enhancing skill sets across the team. Alongside this, we explored future Tech roles and product sales to support long-term growth.

## **Leading the Way in Social ITAD**

This year, we firmly positioned Edinburgh Remakery as Scotland's leading Social IT Asset Disposition (sITAD) provider. We saw a marked increase in businesses choosing our services, refreshed our marketing materials, clarified our ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) proposition, and deepened key partnerships. Our presence at DigitExpo Edinburgh and Glasgow, as well as Procurex Scotland, significantly expanded our client leads. We also worked closely with HSBC to introduce our sITAD services to their clients.

## **Community Impact Through Tech Reuse**

Our Tech Donation Box for Schools project was hugely successful. Although the funded phase came to an end, the project generated valuable feedback and robust data that will support future routes into schools.

After many years in development, the Tech Donation Box for Libraries project finally launched — with phenomenal results. Communities embraced the opportunity to dispose of unwanted tech through an easy, ethical route focused on repair and reuse at its very heart. The project was warmly received by the public and received exclusively positive feedback from the Council, with a shared sense that together we were helping to tackle digital poverty.





## Recognition and Learning

Significant recognition and support also marked 2025. We won multiple awards for our environmental, social, and business impact. We were honoured to receive consultancy support from Teneo and 3M, and our CEO was selected as one of Sir Tom Hunter's Scottish Changemakers. The resulting reports strengthened our business proposition, enabled us to articulate our Social Return on Investment (sROI), develop our Theory of Change, and prepare confidently for growth.

## Challenges in a Changing Funding Landscape

Our charitable mission was affected by reductions in funding. Community Clubs continued thanks to support from EVOC and Feith Chooses. Demand for our Tech Gifting Programme grew, underscoring that digital poverty remains a significant issue in Scotland — even as funding reduced. We primarily delivered this programme through partnership donations and our ITAD service.

We also continued our Tech and Textiles Repair Cafés, subsidising these ourselves as no funding or sponsorship was available.

## Looking Ahead

The year was not without challenges. While income generation grew and met targets, changes in the funding landscape affected forecasting and our bottom line. These experiences have directly informed our **2026–2027 Strategy: Growth with Purpose**, recognising the need to reduce reliance on grant funding and build a more resilient, trading-led model.

What a year. What a team. **What's next?**

In 2026, Edinburgh Remakery is ready to SCALE UP — ensuring the year ahead is one where we all continue to:

**WASTE LESS LIVE MORE**



# 2025: Highlights - A roadmap of the year

**JAN**

Passed ISO27001:2013  
Annual Audit with zero  
non-conformances or  
actions

Donation  
from Red Rock  
Renewables in  
support of Tech  
Gifting Programme

Interim Tech  
Team structure  
in place

Arek Wosik appointed  
Operations Manager to  
streamline process and  
build a positive team  
culture

EERI Funding  
received to hire an  
additional E-Waste  
Operative

**FEB**

Olivia Burns  
promoted to  
Hardware Repair  
Technician

**MAR**

CEO started  
SSE Pfizer UK  
programme  
securing £2,500  
Grant

Tech  
Donation Box  
Programme for  
Libraries launch

Completed  
Year 2 of Tech  
Donation Box for  
Schools programme

AGM took  
place this  
month

**5**

# APR

Nathan Brown started on temporary contract as E-Waste Operative to focus on pilot for selling parts

Mentoring from Pfizer programme going well

Philanthropic funding received to deliver our charitable mission

Sewing machine rentals going well

Elaine selected for the Sir Tom Hunter, Hunter Foundation Changemakers Programme. One of 12 leaders across Scotland selected for Cohort One

Initiated HSBC Customer Relations pilot to promote our Social ITAD

Staff Away Day on 15th May - Strategy work followed by a tour of Agilico, a treasure hunt on the Royal Mile then burgers at our local in Leith!

# MAY

Successful exhibition stand at Digit Expo West

Attended the Parliamentary Repair Café at House of Lords

# JUN

Donation to support Tech Gifting programme from Red Rock Renewables

Edinburgh Climate Compact meeting held in our Events Hub

New E-waste Operative/Driver started

Winner of  
NatWest SE100  
Climate Pioneer,  
presented at gala  
event in Manchester

**JUL**

**AUG**

Delivered  
Tech and Textile  
Repair Sheds at the  
Edinburgh Book  
Festival

Delivered  
creative workshops  
as part of Edinburgh  
900 programme of  
events

Policy Services  
donate supporting  
our Tech Gifting  
Programme

**SEP**

Attended  
FixFest in London  
and delivered a  
panel discussion

**OCT**

Partner Red  
Rock Renewables took  
part in a day of  
e-waste segregation  
with our Tech team

Winner of  
Good Small Business  
Awards - Circular  
Economy held in  
Liverpool

eBay Open  
panelist at  
Birmingham  
NEC

**7**

**Red Rock  
Renewables  
continue support  
with a donation**

**Scotland's  
Changemakers  
programme  
complete**

**Four 3M  
Global consultants, over  
two weeks develop our  
sROI, Theory of Change,  
Pitch Deck and Impact  
Monitoring plans**

**EICC Live  
"Hidden  
Treasure" Talk**

**NOV**

**Teneo  
provides consultancy,  
research and  
recommendations for  
our sITAD programme**

**EVOC Yr5  
funding approved  
for community  
clubs**

**TDB for  
Libraries award  
ceremony**

**Delivered  
Talk at Codebase  
about E-waste as part  
of their GreenTech  
Futures programme**

**Strategic  
Plan 2026-27  
Growth with  
Purpose in place**

**DEC**

**CEO  
presented sITAD  
and ESG policies  
to Policy Services**

**Attended  
Climate Café at The  
Scottish parliament  
for Sustainable  
Christmas Crackers  
Workshop**

**Corporate  
Workshop for  
IlluminateIT**

**Winner of  
Circular Economy  
Excellence Award for  
Scottish Enterprise  
Awards - for our social  
ITAD**

# Vision, Mission, and Values

## Purpose:

We are a purpose-led organisation. Our purpose is to:

**WASTE LESS LIVE MORE**

## Vision:

To create a culture of waste free living, and protect our planet for future generations

## Mission:

To reduce waste by providing repair and reuse services and training to communities and businesses

In May, on our Staff Strategy Day we explored our Purpose, Vision, Mission and Values. We gave the summary of our findings to Meerkat Works who provided pro-bono support to help us analyse our mission, values and tone of voice. We rationalised our values to align closely with our purpose. These were adopted in October 2025. We continue to evaluate our mission statement.

## Values:

- **Spirited sustainability** – Passionate and forthright about reducing waste, conserving and reusing resources, and promoting environmentally friendly practices.
- **Collaboration & togetherness** – Working effectively as a team, building strong, rewarding relationships both internally and externally with local people, organisations and businesses to create a more sustainable society
- **Trusted expertise** – Respected, innovative, determined experts striving for excellence and positive impact.
- **Community & inclusivity** – Putting people and community at the heart of our work. Fighting for digital inclusion and provide exciting opportunities for people to get involved and gain knowledge.
- **Creative change-making** – Inspiring creativity and innovation, encouraging people to think, and act differently for a better tomorrow



# Impact 2025

**224 DEVICES  
GIFTED**

**TO  
PEOPLE FACING  
DIGITAL EXCLUSION**



**40**

**REPAIR  
CAFES**

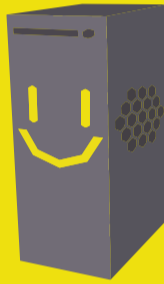


**152 TECH VISITORS  
99 TEXTILE VISITORS**

**24,949KG  
E-WASTE ETHICALLY  
RECYLCED**



**4063  
DEVICES  
REFURBISHED**



**15** **COMMUNITY  
CLUBS  
DELIVERED**  
**8 ORGANISATIONS  
120 PEOPLE**



**3 AWARDS**



**RECOGNISING OUR IMPACT**

**52 TONNES  
OF ELECTRONIC WASTE  
DIVERTED FROM  
LANDFILL**



**TECH  
DONATION  
BOX  
PROGRAMME**

**9.3**

**TONNES OF E-WASTE  
DIVERTED FROM LANDFILL**

**7,900**

**ITEMS SAVED  
FROM LANDFILL**

**1 MILLION**  
KILOGRAMS OF CO2 EMISSIONS  
PREVENTED FROM  
BEING RELEASED

**36**

**TECH DONATION  
BOX LOCATIONS**

# WASTE LESS

## Social IT Asset Disposition (sITAD)

In 2025, Edinburgh Remakery confirmed its strengths in delivering cost-neutral, easy-to-use ITAD services with visible social impact that partners genuinely value.

Our Social IT Asset Disposition service grew rapidly, with more than a threefold increase in the number of businesses using the service.

We focused on strengthening how we communicate our offer, developing a dedicated sITAD and ESG brochures, attending Digit Expo and various other exhibitions. This enabled us to engage directly with businesses, better understand their requirements, and explore new partnership opportunities.

With support from consultancy work delivered by Teneo, we analysed our position within the competitive landscape. This helped us strengthen our offering, clarify our unique value, and identify areas for future development.



## Social impact & ESG alignment

Clear, robust impact reporting enabled partners to demonstrate responsible and socially beneficial disposal:

*"They are reusing items for the digitally poor. I haven't heard of any organisations doing something similar." — Illuminate IT*

## Cost-neutral & low-barrier disposal

Our free, compliant sITAD service removed cost barriers typically associated with commercial recyclers. Businesses valued our willingness to accept a broad range of items, our strong focus on reuse, and our simplified internal processes:

*"[Before] we were using another ITAD and we had to pay for that service — now with Edinburgh Remakery it's free." — Teneo Focus Group participant*

## Reliable, responsive service

Partners consistently described Edinburgh Remakery as helpful, reliable, and easy to work with. A single point of contact and clear communication makes collections smooth and predictable:

*"We have our first pick-up booked. The way they've handled direct communications with our clients has been excellent — I can't fault it." — Teneo Focus Group participant*

**24,949KG**

**E-WASTE RECYLCED**

**204** WASTE TRANSFER NOTICES &  
DATA WIPE CERTIFICATES ISSUED

**174 COLLECTIONS**

**114 BUSINESSES**  
USED OUR ITAD SERVICE



# Tech Donation Box Programme - 2025 Impact

In 2025, the Tech Donation Box (TDB) Programme reached a major milestone and delivered its most impactful year to date. Building on momentum from previous years, the programme expanded significantly across workplaces, schools, libraries and community spaces, making responsible tech donation more accessible while achieving record-breaking environmental outcomes.

Throughout the year, Tech Donation Boxes were hosted by organisations across the private, public, education and community sectors, including Code-Base, Scottish Power, Jamestown LP, Leonardo, LGT Wealth Management, Cirrus Logic, The Scottish Parliament, Scottish Government, Heriot-Watt University, George Heriot's School, Edinburgh Tool Library, Eric Liddell Centre, Edinburgh International Conference Centre (EICC), and Linlithgow Community Development Trust. To further improve accessibility, an interactive map was launched on our website, enabling the public to easily locate Tech Donation Boxes across the city and increasing visibility and engagement.



## Highlight:



**TOTAL CO2 SAVINGS**  
**1,040,368kg**



## Record-Breaking Environmental Impact

October 2025 marked the programme's strongest month, with 1,044 devices donated, resulting in 122,470 kg of CO<sub>2</sub>e savings. By the end of the year, the TDB Programme had diverted 7,982 devices from landfill, with a total weight of 9,395.3 kg.

Most significantly, 2025 became the first year the programme exceeded one million kilograms of CO<sub>2</sub>e savings, achieving 1,040,368 kg of CO<sub>2</sub>e avoided. This impact is equivalent to:



## Tech Donation Box for Schools: 198 devices diverted, 197.6 kg

The Tech Donation Box for Schools programme continued in 2025, reaching nine schools: St Thomas, Juniper Green, Sciennes Primary, Portobello High, Longstone Primary, Currie High School, St Mary's Primary, East Calder Primary and Rosehill High School. Across these schools, 198 devices were diverted from landfill, weighing 197.6 kg. Alongside environmental benefits, the programme supported learning around reuse, e-waste and digital inclusion.

## Tech Donation Box for Libraries: 1,966 devices diverted, 2,476.5 kg

In 2025, we piloted our first Tech Donation Box Programme for Libraries, covering 15 public libraries across Edinburgh. Through the pilot alone, 1,966 devices were diverted from landfill, with a combined weight of 2,476.5 kg, demonstrating the important role libraries can play as accessible hubs for community-led environmental action.

To celebrate this success, a Tech Donation Box Awards Ceremony recognised high-performing libraries, with Newington, Morningside, Stockbridge, Ratho and Corstorphine libraries receiving tiered awards. All participating libraries were awarded a Certificate of Participation.

## Organisational Engagement

Organisational engagement remained strong throughout the year, supported through a mix of Gold Sponsorships and Tech Donation Box hires. These partnerships enabled organisations to align their ESG commitments with tangible, measurable climate action.

# Looking Ahead

The achievements of 2025 represent a step-change in the scale and visibility of the Tech Donation Box Programme. Surpassing one million kilograms of CO2e savings in a single year is a major milestone and highlights the power of partnership, community participation and practical circular economy solutions as we continue to reduce e-waste and support a more sustainable and equitable future.



# LIVE MORE

## Community Clubs

Thanks to funding from EVOC and Leith Chooses, we were able to continue delivering our Community Clubs — collective, creative and fun sessions where people came together to learn repair and reuse skills using donated materials that would otherwise have gone to waste. Participants built confidence, formed friendships, and enjoyed a welcoming space.

Community Clubs were delivered either at Edinburgh Remakery, using our welcoming Event Hub, or within the familiar environments of partner organisations where participants felt most comfortable.

Through Leith Chooses funding, we saw the culmination of the Little Leith Project, where delegates collaboratively created a community artwork celebrating the people and places of Leith. Alongside these the development and planning for our Community Graffiti Project gathered pace. The final artwork for this will be installed outside Edinburgh Remakery in April/May 2026

EVOC funding enabled us to deliver a wide range of creative repair and reuse activities, including everyday sewing skills, crochet, paper art, and visible mending.

### This year we delivered:

- 15 Community Clubs
- 8 partner organisations
- 120 people reached

### Partner organisations:

- Bethany Christian Trust
- YMCA
- Pilmeny
- WHALE Arts
- Ukrainian Association
- LGBT Health
- Sparkle Sisters
- Get2Gether



# Edinburgh 900: Celebrating 900 Years Through Art and Stories

As part of Celebrating 900 Years Through Community Art and Stories, we delivered 'A City of Stories', a creative project pairing historic Edinburgh stories with contemporary storytellers. These stories were retold in modern, funny, and quirky ways, helping participants engage with Edinburgh's literary heritage in an accessible and meaningful way.

Each workshop began with the storyteller's retelling, shared in person, via recording, or read aloud by Edinburgh Remakery staff. This was followed by a facilitated creative session using reused and donated materials. Workshops ran for 2-3 hours, and participants typically created multiple pieces of artwork. At least one piece from each participant was donated to contribute to a final collective artwork, with many choosing to donate the majority of what they made.



# Workshops Delivered

We developed and delivered four distinct workshop themes:

1. **Sir Arthur Conan Doyle – The Adventures of the Norwood Builder**  
*Retold by Jonathan Falla*  
Exploring the discovery of fingerprinting, with a creative activity focused on Zentangle drawing.
2. **Sir Ian Rankin – The Falls**  
*Retold by Dionne Lackey*  
Inspired by the miniature coffins and coffin dolls found on Arthur’s Seat. Participants created mini coffins and dolls using paper, pegs, and fabric scraps.
3. **Sir Walter Scott – The Waverley Novels**  
*Retold by Olga Wojtas*  
A playful retelling of The Heart of Midlothian, followed by a creative activity making fabric hearts.
4. **Robert Burns – A Red, Red Rose**  
*Retold by Sadie Maskery*  
The poem was re-imagined and recorded as a musical piece, played during workshops to inspire participants’ creative responses when making origami roses

## Public Workshops

We ran four public workshops (one per story), aimed at members of the general public and visitors to Edinburgh.

- 42 people booked places
- 20 people attended

## Community Club Delivery

In addition to the public programme, the same four workshops were delivered through our Community Clubs, in partnership with grassroots organisations supporting people experiencing loneliness and social exclusion.

- 30 people attended in this format





# Community Club Feedback

Recommend it, enjoy learning things at Edinburgh Remakery

Participant from Bethany Christian Trust Men's Group

It was very good especially if you don't have much confidence

Participant from Pilmeny Development Project

I love coming to the workshops as they're so therapeutic and calms my mind. Also learned some new sewing stitches

Participant from Sparkle Sisters

I nearly cried when I got my stamps right finally. The emotion catharsis made me physically heal

Participant from LGBT Health







## Legacy and Next Steps

The final collaborative artwork — a large-scale handmade pop-up book bringing together all donated pieces — is currently in production and will be completed by February 2026. It will initially be displayed at Edinburgh Remakery, with further opportunities for public display being explored in partnership with Leith School of Art.

Overall, the project successfully brought people together to creatively engage with Edinburgh's literary heritage, build meaningful connections, and contribute to a shared cultural legacy using reused and reclaimed materials.

# Repair Cafés

On a Friday morning, Edinburgh Remakery is filled with the sound of people coming together — asking questions about repair, trying new skills, and saving money. All of this happens over a hot drink and, very often, a chocolate biscuit.

Demand for our Repair Cafés continues to grow. However, a lack of dedicated funding or sponsorship has had a significant impact on our capacity. In December, we made the difficult decision to temporarily pause our Textile Repair Café and run only our Tech Hardware Repair Café in order to reduce costs.

Despite this, we were consistently asked for more Repair Cafés — particularly sessions held in the evening. Expanding our Repair Café offer, including evening provision, is a key aspiration for the year ahead.

## 2025 at a glance

- 40 Repair Cafés delivered
- 152 technology repair visitors
- 99 textile repair visitors

These sessions helped people save money, learn practical skills, and extend the life of everyday items that might otherwise have been discarded.





## Repair Cafés on the Road

In 2025, we also took our Repair Cafés beyond Edinburgh Remakery and into the wider community.

The theme of the Edinburgh International Book Festival in 2025 was Repair, making it a natural fit for our work. Over four days, we delivered Repair Cafés in the festival's Repair Sheds, featuring Tech Teardowns and hands-on sewing workshops demonstrating how Boro and Sashiko techniques can create beautiful visible mending. As a highlight, participants collaborated on a stunning Kimono display piece, featuring Boro on one side and Sashiko on the other, showcasing creativity and craft. The festival attracted large audiences, significantly raising the profile and visibility of repair and reuse.



We also brought Repair Cafés to Wester Hailes Library, delivering four sessions that placed repair at the heart of the local community. These cafés ran alongside our Tech Donation Box for Libraries project, making it easy for residents to both repair and donate technology locally.

# Influencing policy and national awareness

In June, we attended the House of Commons in Westminster to highlight the impact of Repair Cafés across the UK. We raised the importance of Right to Repair legislation and demonstrated how Repair Cafés make repair and reuse visible, accessible, and normalised on our high streets — delivering tangible benefits for both people and the planet.



# Tackling the Digital Divide – Tech Gifting Programme

From e-waste to empowerment. Our 2025 Tech Gifting Programme put laptops and peripherals into the hands of those who need them most.



**189** LAPTOPS, DESKTOPS,  
OR TABLETS

**35**  
PERIPHERAL  
ITEMS  
(KEYBOARDS, MICE,  
CHARGERS, SCREENS)



**53**   
COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS  
SUPPORTED

Our charitable mission continues to focus on tackling digital exclusion, one refurbished laptop at a time. In Scotland, more than 800,000 people face digital exclusion — a stark reality in a world moving ever closer to being digital by default.

*“You just can’t do what you need to — like fill in forms or create a CV — on a phone.”*

## Digital access where it matters most

For many people, being without a computer doesn’t just mean missing out on convenience. It means missed opportunities, increased stress, and doors remaining firmly closed. Reducing digital poverty within our local communities remains at the heart of Edinburgh Remakery’s work.

In 2025, we gifted 189 refurbished laptops, desktops, and tablets, alongside 35 sets of essential peripherals, to people experiencing digital exclusion across Edinburgh and beyond. Devices were distributed through 53 grassroots community organisations, ensuring support reached those who would benefit most.



# Behind every device was a story...

A young carer, balancing education alongside the emotional and practical demands of caring for a loved one, finally had the tools to study properly:

**“It will help me massively with my studies and help to get myself a better future as a young carer.”**

In another household, where a single shared computer had become a source of daily tension, a refurbished laptop brought immediate relief:

**“This is a lifesaver – computers cause more arguments in this house than anything else.”**

Others spoke about the limitations of relying on a phone alone:

**“I have a phone, but you just can’t do what you need to – like fill in forms or create a CV – on a phone. I am so very grateful for the support of Edinburgh Remakery.”**

## **These moments are why we do this work.**

By refurbishing donated technology and redistributing it through trusted partners such as Bridgend Farmhouse, Edinburgh Young Carers, The Ripple, the Ukrainian Association, and many others, we transformed unwanted tech into tools for connection, confidence, and possibility.

Each device represents more than reuse. It stands for dignity, reduced stress, renewed independence, and a step towards a fairer digital future — where access to technology is recognised as a necessity, not a luxury.

For some families, the impact went beyond individual access and became something shared:

**“We can learn how to use it together.”**

Through partners such as Rowan Alba and Cyrenians, laptops reached women experiencing homelessness and living in temporary accommodation — people working to rebuild stability in incredibly challenging circumstances:

**“They can’t afford tech, but it’s vital for them to apply for paid work or study.”**



# With thanks to our supporters

We are grateful to everyone who donated through our Tech Donation Boxes and every business that used our Social ITAD service. Together, we are tackling digital poverty, one refurbished laptop at a time.

## Companies supporting Tech Gifting in 2025:

- BlackRock
- Edinburgh Airport
- Icelantic
- Policy Services
- Red Rock Renewables



# Awards and Accreditations

## Finalists in 3 Award Ceremonies:

- National Sustainability Awards 2025
- IOM3 Sustainable Futures Awards 2025
- Scottish Impact Awards - Community Impact category

## Winner of 3 Awards

- Pioneers Post – NatWest SE100 Social Business Awards 2025 – Winner in Climate Pioneer Category
- The Good Small Business Awards ceremony in Liverpool – Winner in the Circular Economy category
- Scottish Enterprise Awards 2025 – Winner of Best Social ITAD Programme and Circular Economy Excellence Award





# Accreditation

In January 2025 we achieved 100% Compliance with our annual ISO27001:2013 Audit.

In February 2025 we successfully transitioned to the new ISO27001:2022 standards

We achieved Cyber Essentials Accreditation

# Partnerships and Business Engagement

## Highlights

- 114 businesses engaged through sITAD
- ESG and Social Impact brochures refreshed
- Spotlight partners: ScotlandIS, Icelantic, Red Rock Renewables

We are proud to work alongside a wide range of organisations that share our vision and are committed to creating lasting positive impact within our communities.

In 2025, 114 businesses engaged with the Edinburgh Remakery through our Social ITAD service. Many of these organisations deepened their involvement beyond IT asset donation, supporting our work through volunteering, participation in corporate workshops, and wider engagement across our programmes.

Throughout the year, we continued to listen closely to our business community. It was clear that Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) priorities and the delivery of meaningful social value remained high on the agenda. In response, we developed an ESG Impact Brochure, a refreshed Social ITAD Brochure, and a new Partnership Agreement, providing clear and accessible pathways for

organisations to understand how we can support their ESG and social value goals.

As a result, we strengthened existing partnerships and established many new ones. Our Business Partners, Funding Partners and Supporters are the lifeblood of Edinburgh Remakery. Through collaboration, we can maximise our collective impact—supporting both environmental sustainability and community well-being.

Looking ahead to 2026, our strategic plan, **Growth with Purpose**, will introduce new and exciting opportunities for partnerships to develop, evolve and deepen. We look forward to welcoming partners old and new on this journey as we continue to grow together.

In the meantime, we would like to extend our sincere thanks to all our partners for their ongoing trust, collaboration and support.



# Spotlight: ScotlandIS

## A Partnership for People and Planet

In July 2025, we were delighted to announce an exciting new partnership between the Edinburgh Remakery and ScotlandIS, the membership and cluster management organisation for Scotland's thriving digital technologies industry.

This partnership represents a powerful meeting of missions: digital innovation meets digital inclusion, and environmental sustainability meets industry leadership. Together, we aim to create a digitally empowered Scotland that leaves no one behind.

Many ScotlandIS members have already engaged with our Social ITAD programme, and in 2026 we'll be sharing case studies that showcase the real-world impact of this work. Together, we're re-imagining the role of technology — not just as a tool for business, but as a true force for good.





## Spotlight: Icelantic

In March 2025, we were excited to announce our new partnership with Edinburgh-based IT experts Icelantic

Through our SITAD (Social IT Asset Disposition) programme, Icelantic have already made a powerful impact. This year alone, they donated 70 devices, provided one week of volunteering from their brilliant IT Technician, Bailey Leitch, in our e-waste section, and supported the gifting of refurbished laptops to The Rock Trust.

These devices are enabling young people to attend college and complete their coursework — opening doors to education and opportunity. A huge thank you to the Icelantic team for joining us on this journey towards a more circular and inclusive future for Edinburgh and beyond.

# Spotlight: Red Rock Renewables

Since December 2024, Red Rock Renewables have made a phenomenal impact. To date, they have donated 452 devices through our Social ITAD programme, diverting 601kg of electronic waste from landfill.

Thanks to their support, we were able to gift laptops through Mission Christmas, ensuring teens woke up to a device that helps them stay connected and build their futures. We also provided laptops to Bridgend Farmhouse, supporting their vital community work.

This is the power of collaboration — bridging the digital divide while giving technology a second life. A huge thank you to Red Rock Renewables for making this impact possible.



# Our Team

## Edinburgh Remakery Team - Comings and Goings

2025 was a year of change for the Edinburgh Remakery team. We said goodbye to Miguel, Andy and Aaron, and welcomed new staff as part of our tech team restructuring: Arek, Matty, Jaraah and Nathan.

We also said a fond farewell to our wonderful Trustees Evelyn and Jeremy, our Chair. At the same time, we were delighted to welcome Cat into her new role as Chair, alongside two new Trustees, Jack and Simone.

Edinburgh Remakery is an ever-evolving organisation, continually seeking the skills and experience that will help us grow with purpose. We would like to thank all our staff and Trustees for the enthusiasm, commitment and passion they bring to our work.





# Staff Away Day – Mid-Year Motivation

In May, our staff and Trustees took time out to come together and shape the Strategic Plan for 2026/27. Their insight, experience and creativity played a vital role in refining our thinking, and we look forward to sharing the finished plan next year.

After a productive day of planning, we made space to reconnect and have some fun together — with

a treasure hunt along the Royal Mile, followed by burgers in Leith. This balance of collaboration, creativity and connection is how we get the job done.

A huge thank you to our friends at Agilico for the use of their premises and for helping facilitate a day of blue-sky thinking.





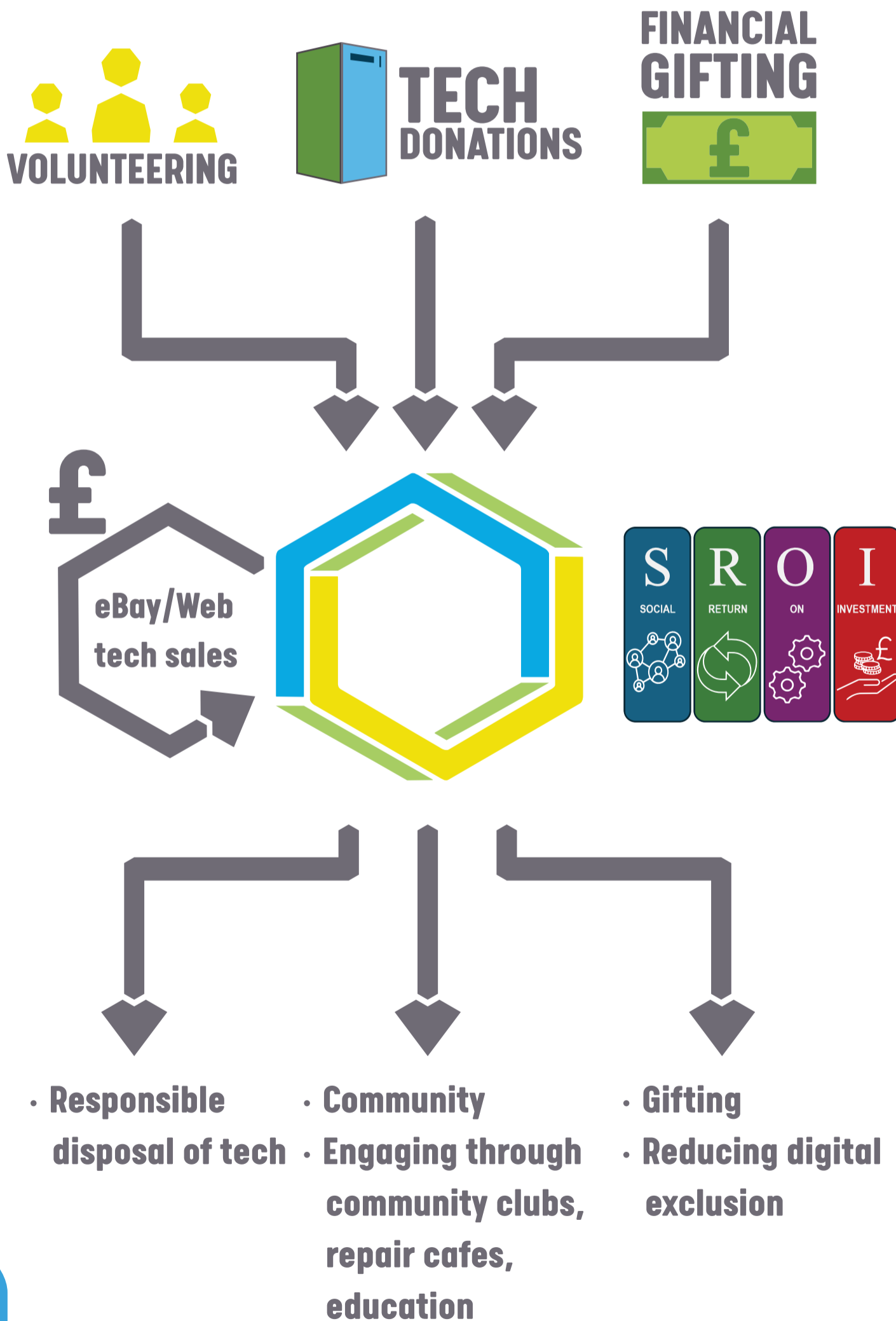


## Our CEO, Elaine Brown

In 2025 our CEO was selected as one of Hunter Foundations Scotland's Changemakers. This programme is a high support, high challenge leadership experience for social entrepreneurs with proven impact and ambition to take their organisation to the next level.

# Social Return on Investment and Social value

For every £1 invested into Edinburgh Remakery, we all benefit by £3.50!



# eBay Reviews



Amazing communication and extremely helpful. Fast postage and exactly as described. A++  
Thank you again

Nice piece of kit, good value & condition and just as described

A nice sized used PC. In very good condition and all parts working well for log-on use, offline use and printing. In all a very good purchase plus free and fast delivery. Thank you seller.

Very fast delivery, well packaged, exactly as described great value for the price. Great Seller

Fantastic laptop, absolutely ideal for what I need (browsing and running car mapping software). Condition was exactly as described, with only the slightest of marks. Delivered the day after ordering.

Highly recommend. So good I've sent the link to my friend as they're after one as well - Thanks!!! A+++

Great item, well packaged and well priced! Fast delivery too!  
Thank you! A+.

Item as described, well packed, shipped quickly, great communication, Thanks... Great eBayer!

I'm really Happy with the Laptop, the quality is really good, received the item really quick. I am happy with the speed and quality. It's more than what I expected for what I paid. Thank you!

Exactly as described, very clean, excellent condition. Would highly recommend this seller. Thank you!

Great seller, quick easy to communicate with an accepted a return straight away as I brought the wrong item

Quality and condition was perfect and was all described in the listing. Value was spot on and would highly recommend the seller



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# Looking Ahead

## Thoughts from our CEO

As we close out 2025, Edinburgh Remakery is preparing for its next chapter through our Strategic Plan 2026–2027: Growth with Purpose. Over the past two years, we have strengthened our products, services, and partnerships. We are now ready to scale.

A changing funding landscape has sharpened our focus and strengthened our resolve. We are recommitting to our charitable mission: ending loneliness through repair and reuse, and tackling digital poverty—one refurbished laptop at a time. To support this, we will clearly distinguish between our charitable work and our social enterprise activity, with defined missions, values, and impact stories for each.

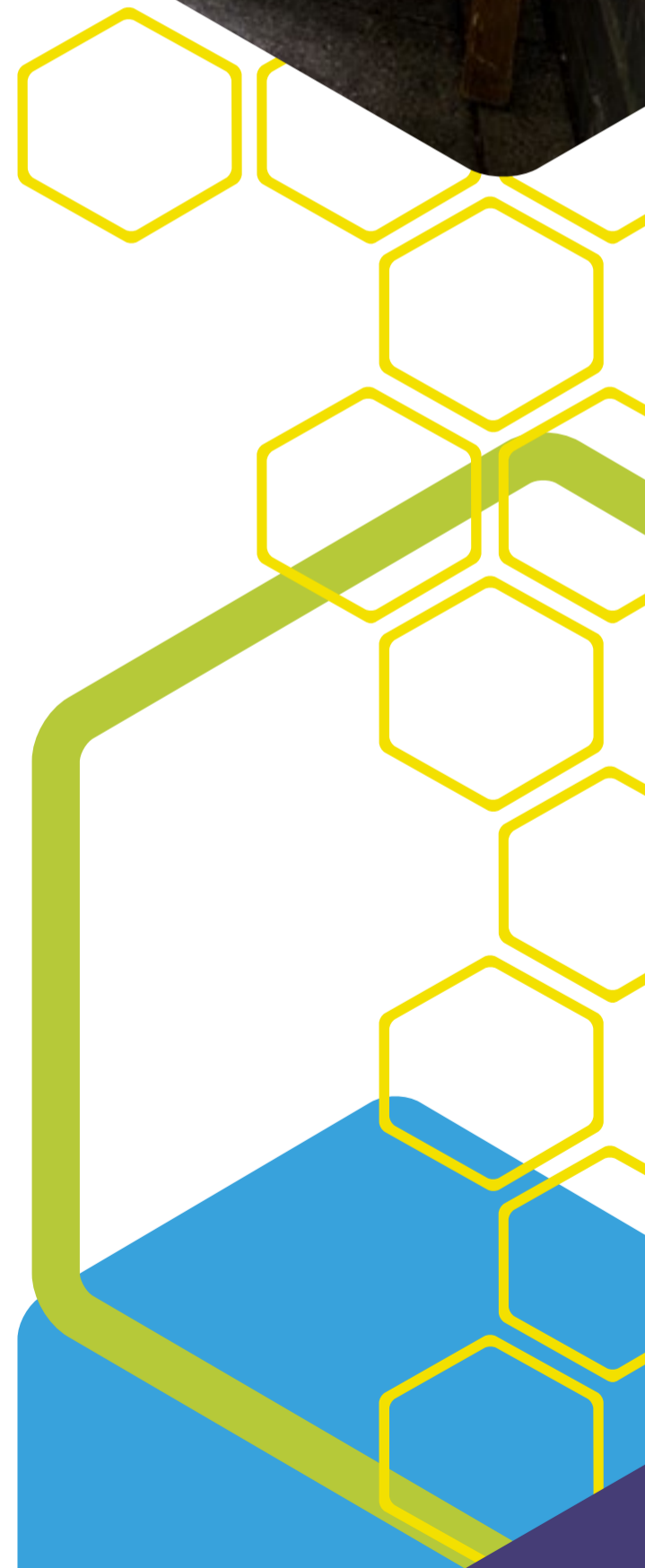
At the same time, our Social ITAD (sITAD) service has grown organically throughout 2025, positioning us to become Scotland’s leading social ITAD provider. Our Growth with Purpose strategy sets out a clear roadmap to expand business partnerships, increase refurbished tech sales, and deliver greater impact across Scotland. Through social investment, we will build efficient systems, create skilled circular economy jobs, and reach new markets.

We are laser-focussed on promoting our Social ITAD Services. It is these services which power our impact enabling us to deliver our charitable mission.

As we move into 2026, our ambition is clear. While our roots are in Edinburgh, our future is national. We are on a path to become Scotland’s Remakery—showing what’s possible through the power of tech repair and reuse.

## Edinburgh Remakery — Scotland’s Remakery

Together, Scotland can Waste Less, Live More.

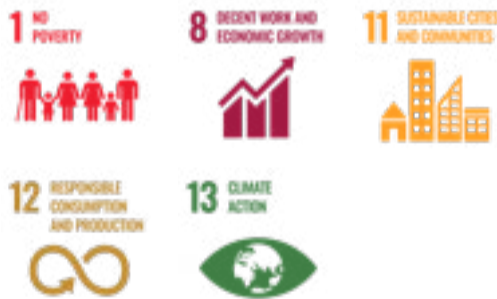


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