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Latest data shows a 59% drop in plastic carrier bag sales in the last year alone in main supermarkets, with charities receiving nearly £180 million since 2015.

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International Environment Minister Lord Goldsmith has appointed John Scanlon as chair of the Illegal Wildlife Trade (IWT) Challenge Fund. The IWT Challenge Fund supports projects aiming to tackle the illegal wildlife trade around the world.

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[News story: Circular economy measures drive forward ambitious plans for waste](#)

The Circular Economy Package includes a target to recycle 65% of municipal waste by 2035 and measures to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill or incinerated.