



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP BATTERY: ACCREDITATION ANNOUNCEMENT

On Friday at Parliament House in Canberra, Assistant Minister for Waste Reduction and Environmental Management, Hon Trevor Evans MP, announced the Federal Government's Battery Stewardship Scheme accreditation scheme recipients.

Battery Stewardship Council, which has been accredited under the scheme, is available for interview with their CEO, Libby Chaplin (see biography below).

Potential topics for commentary:

- How this Scheme will play its part in **driving down emissions and protecting the environment**
- How the **industry is expected to respond** to this announcement
- What this announcement **means for the future of battery waste management** in Australia
- The **infrastructure and economic opportunities, including green jobs of the future** which expected to come from the scheme
- How this scheme is tackling a **critical and important growing stream of waste**/end-of-life management
- What **industries will be positively affected** by this announcement.
- **Note to editors/COS:** battery stewardship and waste management impacts manufacturers, importers, distributors and retailers of not just household batteries but also removable batteries in power tools, toys and photography equipment

Backgrounder information:

- For more information head to the [Battery Stewardship Council resources hub](#) which contains fact sheets, webinars and presentations (use the 'drop down' tab under Resources section to access all)
- The Minister for the Environment's [list of priorities 2021-22 under the Product Stewardship Act](#)
- Australian Government's [Battery Stewardship Scheme \(BSS\) information](#)

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Spokesperson:



Libby Chaplin
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- E-waste and product stewardship (Battery)
- Recycling/waste management
- Battery industry trends and expected future infrastructure needs

Ms Libby Chaplin is a leading environmental and sustainability professional having worked in Australia, and US markets, for over 30 years delivering innovative, highly effective, results drive programs. Ms Chaplin has particular specialty in sustainable management of electronics, from design and manufacture, through to responsible end-of-life and supply chain management.

Her focus at the Battery Stewardship Council is to establish a national stewardship scheme for responsible management of waste batteries. Mr Chaplin is an expert in responsible recycling, reuse of electronic equipment, environmental management, and recycling standards for electronic recyclers.

Ms Chaplin's commentary has appeared in media such as [ABC](#), [Inside Waste](#) and is a regular speaker on her topics of expertise.