

Environmental Policy



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1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to communicate the Trusts commitment to minimising the impact of our operations on the environment, to as low a level as is practically possible. Within the policy are aims which describe how we will go about achieving this objective.

2.0 Introduction

We recognise that our operations result in emissions to air and water, and the generation of waste. It is our objective to comply with legislation and other requirements, continue to reduce the environmental impacts of our business and operate in an environmentally responsible manner.

3.0 Aims

Our aims are to:-

- integrate the consideration of environmental concerns and impacts into all of our decision making and activities,
- promote environmental awareness among our employees and encourage them to work in an environmentally responsible manner,
- train, educate and inform our employees about environmental issues that may affect their work,
- reduce waste through re-use and recycling and by purchasing recycled, recyclable or refurbished products and materials where these alternatives are available, economical and suitable,
- promote efficient use of materials and resources throughout our schools including water, electricity, raw materials and other resources, particularly those that are non-renewable,
- avoid unnecessary use of hazardous materials and products, seek substitutions when feasible, and take all reasonable steps to protect human health and the environment when such materials must be used, stored and disposed of,
- purchase and use environmentally responsible products accordingly,
- where required by legislation or where significant health, safety or environmental hazards exist, develop and maintain appropriate programmes and policies,
- communicate our environmental commitment to staff, pupils and the wider public and encourage them to support it,
- strive to continually improve our environmental performance and minimise the social impact and damage of activities by periodically reviewing our environmental policy in light of our current and planned future activities.

4.0 Responsibility

This Environmental Policy applies to all of our operations. All employees have a responsibility in their area to ensure that the aims and objectives of the policy are met.