



Energy / Green Policy

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1. Declaration and Policy Statement

West Dunbartonshire Leisure Trust (WDLT) is committed to taking every step it reasonably can in tackling climate change and ensuring environmental sustainability becomes a priority for the organisation, both as a service provider and figurehead employer in this area.

To achieve this WDLT has identified the following four areas:

- **Energy Management**

We will monitor and manage consumption and use of energy. Work to reduce the consumption of energy and set annual consumption targets for Gas and Electricity to reduce emissions of gases and other pollutants which are believed to contribute to climate change.

- **Procurement**

We will purchase goods and services to minimise adverse environmental effects. Seek to undertake sustainable procurement actions that comply with EC regulatory requirements and UK Government policy on public procurement and its requirement to provide best value.

- **Green Travel**

We will promote public transport, cycling and walking to encourage people including staff to be more active as well as cut down on air pollution. Educate, where possible, our staff and customers on what they can do to help.

- **Recycling**

We will work to reduce the volume of waste, wherever possible by recycling cans, paper and cardboard and helping our customers to do the same.

2. Objectives

Short Term:

- Set targets, maintain records and monitor energy usage that includes data on CO₂ emissions;
- Benchmark, internally, the use of energy usage against similar facilities;
- Include energy awareness in induction training for Staff;
- Reduce energy use, expenditure and CO₂ emissions by 2.5%;
- Create less waste via the adoption of waste reduction and recycling;
- Raise environmental awareness to staff through induction training and internal publicity/campaigns; and
- Raise environmental awareness (including recycling and travel) to customers through internal publicity and campaigns.

Longer Term:

- Consider utilising 'green electricity' where practicable;
- Include cost and CO₂ emissions in all energy purchasing decisions;
- To include energy related criteria in supplier evaluation procedures;
- Benchmark the use of energy usage against similar facilities outwith WDLT;
- Energy efficiency will be an assessment criteria for all equipment purchased;
- Consider working towards achieving the Carbon Trust Standard; and
- Consider working towards achieving a Green Business Tourism Award for the reduction of environmental impacts.

Implementation

An Energy/Green Action Plan will be developed and implemented on an annual basis

3. Responsibilities

- All members of WDLT are responsible for efficiently using energy which is under their direct control
- An Energy/Green Team will be made up of representatives from the departments listed below and will be chaired by the Leisure Facility Officer and meet up to three times a year:
 - Leisure Centres
 - Community Centres
 - Sports Development
 - Active Schools
 - Business Development
- The Energy/Green Team will make an annual presentation to the Management Team on the following topics:
 - Energy consumption
 - CO₂ emissions
 - Proposed Energy initiatives
 - Proposed Green initiatives
 - Legislation or policy changes
 - Purchasing of energy
 - Awareness and training
 - Review and update of Energy/Green Policy
- Following the annual presentation from the Energy/Green Team the Management Team will develop a draft Energy/Green Action Plan for the Board of Directors to consider.

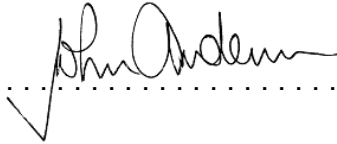
Signed: Tony Waclawski
Board of Directors (Chair)



..... Date: 26 May 2016

For and on behalf of West Dunbartonshire Leisure Trust.

Signed: John Anderson
General Manager



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