

GREEN POLICY

The Derby Conference Centre



Objective

The objective of this policy is to set out The Derby Conference Centre Ltd's commitment to responsible environmental management and to ensure compliance with all applicable environmental legislation, regulations and other requirements relevant to our operations.

The Derby Conference Centre is committed to achieving environmental best practice throughout its business activities wherever reasonably practicable. We recognise that economic success, responsible development and a healthy environment are closely linked and that we have a responsibility to understand and reduce the environmental impact of our operations.

Where appropriate, environmental management issues will be integrated with health and safety and other operational systems in line with overall business objectives of The Derby Conference Centre.

Our Commitments

The Derby Conference Centre is committed to:

- Legal compliance – complying with all relevant environmental legislation, regulations and other applicable requirements and reviewing our practices as these requirements develop.
- Energy and carbon reduction – using energy efficiently, reducing unnecessary consumption and, where practicable, taking steps to reduce the carbon emissions associated with our operations.
- Water conservation – using water responsibly, monitoring consumption where appropriate and seeking opportunities to reduce unnecessary water use.
- Waste reduction – preventing and minimising waste wherever possible by following the principles of reduce, reuse and recycle and identifying responsible disposal routes for waste that cannot be avoided.
- Preventing pollution – taking appropriate measures to prevent pollution and minimise the risk of environmental incidents arising from our activities.
- Sustainable purchasing – considering environmental impact when purchasing goods, services, equipment and materials and, where practicable, working with suppliers that demonstrate responsible environmental practices.
- Greener travel and transport – encouraging employees, guests, delegates, customers and suppliers to consider more sustainable forms of transport where practical and supporting initiatives that reduce the environmental impact of travel.
- Employee participation – encouraging active participation from employees at all levels and creating opportunities for our team to contribute ideas that improve environmental performance.

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- Responsible management of our assets – considering the environmental impact throughout the life cycle of plant, equipment and physical assets within our control, including purchasing, operation, maintenance, replacement and disposal.
- Reducing nuisance – taking reasonable steps to minimise noise, light, waste and other environmental nuisance, particularly where our activities may affect neighbouring residents, businesses or members of the public.
- Responsible food and hospitality practices – seeking opportunities to reduce food waste and unnecessary single-use items and considering sustainability when making food, beverage and hospitality purchasing decisions.
- Continual improvement – regularly reviewing our environmental performance, identifying opportunities for improvement and implementing practical measures that support our environmental objectives.
- Supporting our community – supporting appropriate social and environmental projects and initiatives within our local community and wider society.
- Communication and awareness – communicating this policy to our employees and ensuring they understand their responsibilities in supporting our environmental commitments. We will also make the policy available to relevant customers, suppliers and other interested parties where appropriate.

Review

This policy will be reviewed periodically and following any significant changes to our operations, environmental responsibilities or applicable legislation.

Through these commitments, The Derby Conference Centre aims to continually improve its environmental performance while providing a high-quality service to our customers, guests and the wider community.

Approved by: Richard Jones, General Manager