

ENVIRONMENT POLICY

INTRODUCTION

Mount Cook Adventure Centre fully recognises that we each have our part to play in contributing to improving the environment. We accept our responsibility and will work towards ensuring all our practices and procedures take account of environmental considerations such as waste, energy consumption and water use.

We will strive to:

Reduce our energy consumption through;

- 1. Energy efficient lighting and heating
- 2. Ensuring that new premises are as energy efficient as possible
- 3. Turning off /down heating when not needed
- 4. Turning off computers overnight
- 5. Turning off lights when not needed
- 6. Not leaving phone chargers plugged into sockets when not in use
- 7. Not using more water than needed, for instance when using the kettle
- 8. Keeping doors closed to retain heat

Reduce paper consumption through:

- 1. Printing fewer documents if they can be stored electronically
- 2. Double-sided printing
- 3. Printing final copies only, rather than draft copies
- 4. E-mailing documents rather than posting them

• Look to recycle waste wherever possible:

- 1. Paper
- 2. Cardboard
- 3. Plastics
- 4. Compostable and other food stuffs
- 5. Tins /other metals
- 6. Glass

• Ensure water consumption is kept to a minimum:

- 1. Put capacity reducers in cisterns
- 2. Don't run the tap when washing pots. Use either a bowl or dishwasher

Reduce fuel consumption:

- 1. Look to introduce fuel –efficient transport and, where possible, change to environmentally friendly fuels
- 2. Try not to make unnecessary journeys
- 3. Combine trips and journeys where possible
- 4. Drive in a fuel efficient manner
- Ensure that our outdoor activities in the countryside have minimal impact on the environment
- Raise awareness of staff and young people of their responsibilities to make an effective contribution to environmental improvement, both at work and within their local community
- Increasingly use local suppliers and fair trade suppliers for our perishable products
- Comply with all environmental legislation and regulations
- Ensure that all our proposals consider the environmental impact of our actions

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