

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Attic Theatre Company recognises that our work may have a direct and indirect effect on the local, regional and global environment. We are committed to minimising the impact of our activities and reducing any harmful effects on the environment, whilst promoting the understanding of sustainability in its broadest context.

We will:

- Promote responsibility for the environment within the organisation and communicate and implement this policy at all levels within the workforce;
- Reduce costs to overheads and project delivery;
- Minimise waste by reduction, re-use and recycling methods;
- Conserve energy, water and other resources;
- We will endeavour to prevent pollution or where this is not possible reduce pollution;
- Identify and provide appropriate training advice and information for staff and support them to develop new ideas and initiatives;
- Make sure appropriate resources are provided to meet the commitments of this policy;
- Promote and support involvement in local environmental initiatives/schemes;
- We will make this policy available to interested parties;
- Meet or exceed all the environmental legislation that relates to the Company and current Charity law.

This policy outlines Attic's commitment to the environment and also its expectations that all staff will apply the principles in their own work areas.

We recognise that this is an ongoing and continuing process but will ensure that our Trustees, members, employees, and volunteers are responsible for the implementation of this policy and its observance. We will monitor this policy and its implementation, undertaking an annual review.

The policy covers areas: waste reduction, purchasing, energy and water saving, travel, hygiene, health & safety.

Waste and reduction

Re-use – stationary, costumes, set, props as appropriate

Re-cycle – glass, paper, plastic

Printing and photocopying default to black and white, print quality will be set at draft as default and printing will be kept to a minimum.

Purchasing

Use re-cycled materials – paper for marketing materials, stationary products.

Use local suppliers to reduce transport.

Investigate sharing schemes with other organisations.

Turn off PC's when not in use.

Switch off lights when not in use.

Travel

Use public transport when possible.

Ensure touring patterns by region.

Ensure use of public transport for touring, car sharing, vehicle hire meets environmental legislation.

Work from home if appropriate

Hygiene, health and safety

Uphold a No Smoking policy

Ensure adequate air circulation – windows open for ventiliation.

Ensure adequate breaks are taken from desk bound activities and exposure to VDU's

Funding and promotion

Explore funding opportunities for alternative sources of energy.

Support local initiatives which promote community cohesion and shared resources.

Reviewed September 2018 V Hibbs - General Manager Ratified by the Board of Trustees