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## Winscombe Football Club Environmental Policy April 2024

Winscombe AFC is committed to minimising the environmental impact of its activities through adopting sound principles and implementing good practice, and by continuous improvement in environmental performance. The Club will seek to develop an ethos of environmental responsibility in all its staff and learners as well as in the management of its facilities, and in doing so, aims to become a sustainable community.

## **Core Policy Statement**

This Sustainability Policy will act as a guiding document for all future improvements and is linked to all other Club policies. Accordingly, it is the policy of the Club to:

- 1. Manage the Club in a manner that reduces the resource intensity and impact, with emphasis on reducing its carbon footprint;
- 2. Seek cultural change through raising awareness of collective and individual responsibility in working towards achieving a sustainable Club community;
- 3. Continually increase its knowledge base of sustainability issues;
- Consider the wider environmental impact of its spending decisions through seeking an appropriate balance between cost and sustainability and apply sustainability criteria to procurement;
- 5. Conform to and where possible exceed minimum legal requirements for reducing adverse environmental impacts;
- 6. Work with partners and external communities, to help promote sustainability within the local area;
- 7. Monitor and regularly audit its environmental performance and develop management systems that seek continuous, measurable progress;
- 8. Ensure that this policy and all reports and reviews of environmental performance, are communicated to all staff, and are available to the public.





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## Aims

The Club will aim to achieve the following:

- 1. A reduction in water usage through wise use and adoption of conservation measures;
- 2. A commitment to the wise choice of products and suppliers and using sustainable procurement processes;
- 3. Minimisation of waste through sensible purchasing, reduced consumption and the adoption of efficient waste management and recycling methods;
- 4. Improving the quality of life at the facility through encouraging appropriate and considerate behaviour in relation to litter and anti- social behaviour;
- 5. Adoption of best practice in new build and refurbishment projects, as set down by BREEAM assessments;
- 6. Improved communication between all sections of the Club community (learners, officers, staff and partners), in order to promote shared responsibility, to celebrate achievement and success and to further improve quality of life at Lancashire FA for all;
- 7. Inclusion of staff training covering sustainability issues coverage of policy and practice in staff induction.