



**Together
Training**

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Together Training recognises that our work may have a direct or indirect effect on the local and/or regional environment. We are therefore committed to reducing any harm that this may cause on the environment and as a teaching establishment we will promote the understanding of sustainability within our curriculum and what we do as an organisation.

Policy Statement

Together Training will promote awareness and understanding of environmental issues. Through its own practices Together Training will operate in such a way as to both conserve and improve the environment. By operating in as sustainable a way as practical, Together Training will seek to ensure that its operations do not jeopardise the environment of the future.

Our Commitment

Together Training is committed to:

- Operating in as sustainable way as possible and to minimise our impact on the environment
- Promoting awareness, participation and educating staff and students in practices which help conserve the environment
- Encouraging and supporting initiatives within the college on sustainability and environmental awareness
- Assessing all Together Training activities for their environmental cost and benefit
- Going beyond our legal responsibilities and promoting best practice whilst ensuring any activity delivers value for money

Our Responsibilities

Together Training fully recognises its responsibilities regarding the environment and sustainability and will comply with all legal duties, obligations and codes of practices. In addition, Together Training will implement additional measures as considered appropriate, effective and practicable, delivered within time management constraints and value for money obligations.

Communications

The policy will be communicated through Together Training's Leadership Group and team meetings.

Monitoring

This policy will be monitored by Together Training's Leadership Group and reviewed in line with the Quality Assurance Plan.

The Scope

The Policy will include the following key areas.

- **Best Practice & Legislation**

- Reduce, Reuse & Recycle
- Waste Management and Reduction
- Energy Use Reduction
- Resource Conservation
- Efficient building design

- **Sustainability**

- Alternative Energy Sources
- Alternative Travel
- Reduce Carbon Footprint
- Sustainable purchasing
- Sustainable building & refurbishment
- Sustainable maintenance & cleaning

- **Education**

- Educate staff and students in Together Training's policies and practices
- Embed the policy and aims in the student curriculum and activities
- Contribute to local, regional and national initiatives where appropriate

- **Measurement**

- Measure the performance of Together Training's key operations whenever reasonably practicable, such as waste and energy against baselines and available benchmarks

Guiding Principles

- Prioritise the reduction of energy and water use
- Reuse serviceable equipment and furniture, internally or externally
- Use local suppliers to minimise delivery miles and costs
- Encourage staff and students to use alternative methods of transport to the car
- Recycle more waste
- Use recycled or sustainably sourced products
- Reduce the amount of waste produced by Together Training
- Commit to reducing our carbon foot print
- Work collaboratively with other organisations to promote environmental sustainability wherever possible

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