



## TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Meadow Close, Tarvin, CHESTER CH3 8LY Reg Charity No 506560

### **Environmental Policy**

The Tarvin Community Centre Committee of Management (hereafter called the Committee) is committed to protecting and actively promoting the improvement of the local environment. The Committee will ensure that environmental priorities are integrated into the decisions it takes on all its services and insofar as it has control or influence will seek to:

- 1) Use the minimum quantity of energy possible in accordance with the safe and efficient operation of its heating, lighting, plant and machinery. It will, from time to time, review its appliances and their energy efficiency and will monitor consumption and eliminate excessive or unnecessary use with a view to minimising the environmental impact. It will communicate to hirers the means by which energy may be conserved, e.g. closing doors and switching off unnecessary lighting.
- 2) Encourage those using the Centre to walk, cycle and use public or communal transport as alternatives to the private car. It will provide and maintain a safe cycle storage area at the front of the building
- 3) Minimise and where possible eliminate all forms of pollution, using biodegradable chemicals where possible, and minimising use of solvents and lead-based paints. Users will be encouraged to avoid creating noise pollution, especially at night.
- 4) Use the minimum quantity of water possible in accordance with its activities and ensure that the water it uses is both supplied and disposed of, in the purest condition possible, meeting statutory requirements. It will reduce leakage and eliminate excessive or unnecessary use, e.g. avoiding unnecessary flushing of urinals when the Centre is not in use. It will communicate to users the need to conserve water e.g. turning taps off after use.
- 5) Avoid waste and encourage the appropriate conservation, re-use and recycling of resources. It will re-use and recycle materials as far as possible and, if this is impractical, ensure disposal by a means which will have the least impact on the environment and conforms to statutory requirements. It will encourage users to minimise waste.
- 6) Promote a sense of responsibility and understanding for the environment and participation in environmental issues, by raising user awareness, information provision and open consultation with the local community.
- 7) Seek, where possible, to purchase from local or regional suppliers, in order to maximise input to the local community and minimise carbon emissions from transport.
- 8) Protect the health and well-being of all users and visitors and improve and safeguard the quality of the Tarvin Community Centre e.g. by providing hand sanitiser
- 9) Monitor, review and where possible improve performance each year with positive action on any areas of non-compliance.

Approved by the Tarvin Community Centre Committee of Management, 14 April 2021

Signed *Ted Lush*

Ted Lush (Chairman)

Signed *Jane Armstrong*

Jane Armstrong (Secretary)