

3.11 Environmental Policy

Statement of intent

The Bumblebee Children's Charity acknowledges the connection between the climate and environmental crises; the threat of current and future homelessness, disease, food and water shortages, and poverty for millions of people around the world. As well as the major damage being caused to the natural world. The Bumblebee Children's Charity therefore recognises our responsibility to reduce our carbon and environmental footprints and commit to being an environmentally responsible charity. To achieve this we commit to the following actions:

Our Commitment

- 1. The Bumblebee Children's Charity has appointed the Administrator to take responsibility for enacting and reporting on our commitment to becoming an environmentally responsible organisation. To ensure The Bumblebee Children's Charity has a clear idea of what we have already achieved and what still needs to be done, an annual environmental check will be completed that will include details of;
- electricity usage, oil usage, water usage, transport fuel/costs/means, waste recycling
- total paper consumption, recycled paper used, renewable energy used
- any other relevant environmental criteria.
- 2 Induction procedures for new staff/volunteers/members will include information on the charity's environmental practices.
- 3. The Bumblebee Children's Charity will observe existing environmental legislation as a minimum standard and seek to out-perform current legislative requirements where practical.
- 4. The Bumblebee Children's Charity will develop and maintain a sustainable transport policy for their staff, seeking to reduce unnecessary travel and making the transport that is necessary as sustainable as possible.
- 5. The Bumblebee Children's Charity will, as part of the planning, procurement and delivery of any new work commitments, projects or initiatives, consider the environmental impact of any work before it is undertaken.



6. The Bumblebee Children's Charity will strive to become a role model for good environmental working practises and will share any knowledge and experience gained in how to achieve this, with other organisations.

This Policy was adopted by The Bumblebee Children's Charity and will be reviewed annually.

Date 23.01.24

Name of signatory Lindsay Warne

Role of signatory Charity Administrator

Signed on behalf of the Trustees