

AGE UK BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN

Environmental Policy Statement

INTRODUCTION

Age UK Blackburn with Darwen recognises its legal and social responsibilities in relation to the environment. The organisation seeks to conform with all relevant legislation including Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (as amended) COSHH (2002), Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations (amendment) regulations 2013, the Environmental Protection Act (1990) and the Environment Bill 2020.

The organisation's environmental performance impacts on the reduction of costs and we will seek to improve and sustain efficiency and to support Lancashire's Municipal Waste Management Strategy by attempting to reduce, re-use, recycle and compost and recover energy before we dispose in landfill.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all services, activities and personnel of Age UK Blackburn with Darwen the Registered Charity and its Subsidiaries.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

The organisation will:

- Comply with, and where possible exceed, the minimum requirements of all applicable environmental legislation and relevant codes of practice
- Minimise waste materials sent to landfill by encouraging reduction, reuse, recycling and energy recovery
- Control, and where practical, reduce toxic emissions to land, air and water with a commitment to harm reduction to the open and global environments
- Maintain a water and energy minimisation programme, focusing particularly on lighting and heating
- Raise staff and volunteer's awareness of the environmental policy by providing the necessary training and resources, to promote good working practices

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