

## **Environmental Policy Statement**

Age UK Lancashire recognises the social and economic importance of protecting the environment; that is commitment to this must encompass all activities and that it should be prepared to lead by example in promoting a sensitive, considered attitude to the environment. Our approach to managing our environmental issues is compliant to ISO14001:2004.

## **Purpose**

- To comply with legal obligations under the current Health, Safety and Welfare Act and the Environmental Protection Act, together with all other applicable statutory provisions and relevant codes of practice.
- To achieve good environmental standards in all activities including the reduction, re-use, recycling and disposal of waste.
- To make economic use of energy, water and transport usage to minimise waste in all aspects of the business function.
- To minimise our business mileage to lower the effect on the environment and use alternative means of transport when appropriate.
- To regularly assess the environmental impact resulting from business operations and to remain fully informed of recognised best practices.
- To use environmentally aware and responsible suppliers wherever possible.
- To undertake environmental impact studies as part of any company relocation or enlargement of existing facilities.
- To communicate this Environmental Policy and any proposed actions to all interested parties, including customers, suppliers and employees, encouraging their active involvement in environmental issues.

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## **Monitoring and Review**

This policy statement will be audited on a routine basis to ensure continual improvement of environmental standards. The implementation and effectiveness of this policy will be monitored by the Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Executive Officer and the Board of Trustees will review the policy itself regularly and recommend and implement action to ensure the policy is up to date and compliant with current legislation and guidance.

ADOPTION OF THIS POLICY BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Vivien Mumford, Age UK Lancashire Chair
Signature:
Date:

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