



CHUMS

**Mental Health and
Emotional Wellbeing
Service for Children
and Young People**

Environmental Sustainability Policy

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Background

CHUMS recognises that it has a responsibility to the environment and is committed to minimising the impact of its activities on the environment as an integral part of our business strategy. All employees/volunteers are responsible for ensuring the environmental policy is implemented.

Policy Aims

- To comply with and exceed all relevant regulatory requirements
- To keep up to date with these requirements
- Continually improve and monitor our environmental impact
- Incorporate environmental factors into business decisions
- Increase employee awareness and involve them in the implementation of this policy

CHUMS Approach

- Actively promote recycling within CHUMS and beyond
- Minimise the use of paper in the office
- Seek to buy recycled and recyclable paper products
- Reuse and recycle all paper where possible
- Choose where possible an ethical provider of office products
- Evaluate the environmental impact of any new products prior to purchasing
- Use environmentally friendly products wherever possible
- Reduce the amount of energy used wherever possible both in the office and when delivering workshops, training etc. in the community
- Lights and electrical equipment will be switched off when not in use
- Heating will be adjusted with energy consumption in mind
- Encourage shared journeys to work where possible
- Limit the amount of travel needed during the course of a working day but seeing as many clients as possible at our base
- Accommodate where possible the needs of those using public transport
- Use environmentally friendly cleaning products where possible

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Governance Committee Authorisation

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Date: May 2017

Date of Review: May 2017

- Authorised signatory must be the chair (or deputising chair) of Governance Committee