

Environmental Policy Chapel House Vets 2022





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Chapel House Vets is a veterinary practice which specialises in small animal care. At Chapel House Vets, our team are always striving to provide friendly and knowledgeable support for patients and pet owners, whilst developing their professional skills to a high level.

We acknowledge that our operations have an effect on the environment and have identified our key environmental aspects that contribute our environmental and carbon footprint:

- Consumption of electricity, gas, water, and other fuels
- Use of anaesthetic gases
- Waste generation
- Transport emissions
- Use of raw materials, including prescribed drugs and medicines
- Procured goods and services with their own environmental impact

Chapel House Vets is committed to reducing its environmental impact through a journey of continual improvement by working through the Investors in the Environment accreditation scheme. Our recent refurbishment at our Hady Hill branch aimed to reduce the building's environmental impact whilst still enabling gold standard medical and surgical care. We aim to mirror this commitment in future developments at both sites, and in the day to day running of our business.

Our environmental commitment can be demonstrated in our established objectives and goals below:

- Commitment to net zero carbon emissions target by 2050 in alignment with corporate sustainability policies
- Compliance with all applicable environmental regulations and public/customer expectations
- Monitor our key resource usage and implement conservation techniques to achieve our environmental targets
- Implement a waste/recycling policy and sustainable procurement policy
- Minimise unsustainable transport
- Take part in a One Health sustainability project with our staff
- Work with suppliers to ensure they acknowledge and decrease the environmental impact of their products and transportation
- Publish and distribute an annual organisational sustainability report

We will continue to improve our environmental management system by working to the Investors in the Environment (iiE) criteria, considering any changes in legislation, our organisation, and other factors. We will convey this policy to all our employees ensuring that they are provided with training to increase awareness of environmental matters.

Emma Rickers and Stella Richardson are our Sustainability Champions and have designated responsibility for the day-to-day implementation of this policy.

Chapel House Vets will make this policy available when requested to interested parties including members of the public, including making a copy available on the practice's website.



Position: Clinical Director

