



MCT Durham PCF Environmental Policy 2024.

Statement of intent

MCT Durham PCF 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

MCT Durham PCF therefore recognise our responsibility to reduce our carbon and environmental footprints and commit to being an environmentally responsible charity.

To achieve this, we currently commit to the following actions.

Our commitment

MCT Durham PCF has appointed Sara Rawle (MCT admin and co-chair) to take responsibility for enacting and reporting on our commitment to becoming an environmentally responsible organisation.

1. MCT Durham PCF pledges to:
 - Reduce paper use.
 - Print fewer documents. Double sided printing and back-to-back photocopying will be undertaken where practicable.
 - Send information digitally if possible.
 - Strive to buy reusable items instead of using disposable / single use.
 - Recycle EVERYTHING that can be recycled (if they cannot be reused / repurposed) e.g. paper, cardboard, and printer cartridges.
 - Do online meetings instead of face-to-face wherever possible.
 - Encourage car sharing or public transport use where possible.
 - When ordering essential stationery and similar items buying in bulk. It costs less and reduces transport costs.
 - Repair equipment/ buy second hand rather than purchasing new if possible.

2. Induction procedures for new trustees / volunteers/members will include information on the charity's environmental practices.

3. MCT Durham PCF will include environmental responsibility training in any future trustee / volunteer training programmes.
4. MCT Durham PCF will seek to reduce unnecessary travel and making the transport that is necessary as sustainable as possible.
5. MCT Durham PCF 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. MCT Durham PCF 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.
7. MCT Durham PCF in future (if we obtain premises) will review offices, to establish their carbon footprint and take measures to address any areas of improvement that are needed to achieve low or zero carbon status.

Review of policy or procedure

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