

CHARNEY HALL AND FIELD TRUST (CHAFT)

(Charity Number 294765)

Environmental Policy

CHAFT is committed to supporting the environment by

- minimising the harmful effects of its operations on the environment
- protecting and enhancing biodiversity and wildlife
- promoting good environmental practice

CHAFT aims

- To apply environmentally and socially responsible purchasing
- To reduce consumption, re-use materials and recycle wherever possible
- To promote efficient use of all resources, including energy and water
- To be sensitive to the character and habitats of the local setting when developing and improving the hall and the field

CHAFT will, wherever possible

1. In applying an environmentally and socially responsible approach to purchasing
 - 1.1 Consider the need for buying in materials or services and the options for alternative provision
 - 1.2 Take into account the environmental impact of product lifecycle when choosing materials or services
 - 1.3 Use local products, craftsmen and companies wherever possible and appropriate
2. Reduce consumption, re-use and recycle materials
 - 2.1 Use water butt at the hall to capture rainwater for plants; use water sparingly on the field and limit evaporation
 - 2.2 Offer materials no longer needed to individuals or organisations who can re-use them
 - 2.3 Provide and use clearly-marked bin at the hall for collection of recyclables

3. Promote efficient use of all resources, including energy and water

3.1 Use water-saving approaches

- Fit water-saving devices (taps, save-a-flush cisterns)
- Use residual hot water from kettles for washing-up at catering events

3.2 Minimise electricity use

- Make best use of natural light and heat from south-facing window
- Use point-of-use hot water systems in kitchen and toilets

3.3 Use energy-efficient appliances

3.4 Improve energy-efficient heating and reduce heat loss

- Aim to improve hall insulation and glazing
- Aim to use time-programmed and/or thermostatic heating system controls

3.5 Raise awareness of responsible purchasing and sustainable energy

- Include CHAFT responsible purchasing statement with hall booking form / user agreement
- Display the CHAFT environmental policy within the hall and post it on the website

4. Be sensitive to the character and habitats of the local setting when developing and improving the hall and field

4.1 Take into account the rural aspect when planning developments on the field, maintaining sightlines

4.2 Limit the use of artificial fertilisers or pesticides

4.3 Encourage local wildlife and flora through sympathetic support of habitat and maintenance programmes

