



# Cologin's Environmental Policy

As a multi-generational family business we take our moral, corporate and social responsibilities towards the environment seriously. We're signatories of the Glasgow Declaration and members of Green Tourism and as a family we are committed to continually developing an environmentally responsible business. We believe that environmental management is an issue of ongoing concern for our guests, staff and suppliers, and we know that it requires constant reassessment, monitoring and continual improvement. We are dedicated to ensuring sustainability, awareness and compliance with all relevant legislation.

In order to help us change our operations to reduce any negative environmental impacts we have a Sustainable Procurement Policy and Environment Management Activity Plan.

## SCOPE

As our family business recovers from Covid we are looking to work with individuals and organisations that are also working towards or have an environmental management system and/or policy of their own. This approach is designed to ensure as much as is possible that any and all activity undertaken by our firm has as minimal an impact on the environment as is possible, in turn demonstrating a positive environmental standard.

## ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY – OUR AIMS:

- Comply with current legal and other obligations
- Record and monitor CO2e emissions
- Record and monitor all environmental impacts within existing properties/activities, including all future projects, aiming to reduce our environmental impact
- Explore possible solutions and strategies that may assist in carbon reduction and improve waste management
- Deliver regular environmental audits for properties and activities at Cologin
- Continue to minimise the amount of waste disposed of as general waste, increasing recycling and supporting the circular economy, by providing the correct level of waste receptacles
- Reduce packaging waste by using recyclable packaging where possible
- Operate a sustainable agenda/practice within our procurement activity
- Provide bikes for staff and keep vehicle use to a minimum on site
- Provide/deliver sustainability training to staff members, both new and long-serving
- Support colleagues with their sustainability output, internally and in their external activities
- Encourage all service providers to obtain an environmental standard, if they have not done so already
- Encourage visitors to travel sustainably and align themselves with Cologin's expectations and the behaviours of a good environmental citizen
- Commit to the protection of the environment, being observant to wildlife, local plantlife and the prevention of pollution to land
- Generate an annual Sustainability Performance Report to be made available publicly

This policy was last updated July 2022 and is available to all interested parties.

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