## **GPAA Environmental + Sustainability Policy**

## **Embracing our Responsibility**

The GPAA Management Committee acknowledges that, in the conduct of our allotment provision, we must continually strive to reduce our environmental impacts and promote sustainability understanding.

Our primary responsibility arising from this policy is to comply, as a minimum, with all appropriate incountry legislation, regulations and codes of practice, as well as those requirements imposed by our partners and stakeholders.

This policy commitment is further underpinned by our understanding of the environmental impacts of our allotment Association. These common impacts are:

During establishment of the allotments:

- generation and avoidance of waste resultant from constructional work
- selection of materials and consumables from our sub contractors
- emissions from sub contractors engaged in constructional work

Thereafter during the normal course of allotment activity:

- generation and avoidance of waste
- selection of materials and consumables
- emissions from allotment plot holder home to allotment travel
- nature of the advice we give our plot holders, visitors, local parish members and our stakeholders

Our attention will focus on enhancing the knowledge and understanding of our plot holders, local parish members and stakeholders in respect of sustainable activity. This activity will empower the Association to actively contribute and add value to the sustainability debate at local level, influencing the decisions and activities of individuals and stakeholders alike.

This policy statement will be reviewed annually at the Annual General Meeting to ensure its continuing appropriateness and effectiveness. Effectiveness will be gauged against the key aspects of the allotment constitution that explicitly defines our local objectives.

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