

Oundle Town Council Environmental Policy

Oundle Town Council believes that promotion and protection of the environment is an integral part making Oundle a better place to live, and part of our duty of stewardship for future Oundle inhabitants.

This means developing Oundle with an eye to sustainability in all areas, including planning - as a statutory consultee in the planning process favour applications which contribute to the creation of a sustainable built environment. The Council will work with its contractors and suppliers where possible to help them improve their environmental performance in their work with and for the Council. The Council will encourage its contractors and suppliers to adopt and to commit to similar environmental standards to those employed by the Council.

We are committed to minimising the environmental impacts of our operations, and aim to develop a sustainable and prudent approach to managing our buildings and estate, including reduce our carbon and waste footprints. This could include looking at our fuel sources, use of plastics, how we retrofit our buildings for the future, and how we manage our open spaces, trees and natural environment.

The Council will seek to identify, understand and manage any risks of harm to the environment arising from its activities. To enable this policy to be implemented and maintained the Council will ensure that it devotes appropriate resources to control any risks of harm to the environment arising from its activities.

We will review our progress regularly, and report back through our normal methods of communication. We aim to engage members of our community (residents, businesses, employees, suppliers, visitors) to help us achieve our aims, along with collaboration with our staff and suppliers to improve our indirect environmental impacts. We will work closely with local environmental groups, and ask that they help us in making Oundle a better place to live.

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Date.....21.10.19.....