



Environmental Policy Statement

At Ormiston Families we acknowledge that global warming is a real and growing threat to the environment. We recognise that many of our activities contribute to climate change and may also have other unintended consequences on the environment. In keeping with our vision of a world where families feel safe, healthy and resilient, Ormiston Families is committed to developing working practices that minimise environmental damage and help protect the planet to provide a brighter future for us all.

Policy Principles

- All Ormiston Families staff and volunteers are encouraged to take personal responsibility for considering the environmental impact of all their activities, practices and procedures.
- We monitor and review our environmental performance by undertaking annual carbon footprint assessments.
- We are proactive in minimising our production of waste by reusing or recycling materials.
- We will monitor and reduce the environmental impact of fossil fuel dependent modes of transport by encouraging the use of travel options that minimise environmental impact in addition to exploring new ways of delivering our work sustainably.
- We will build an environmentally friendly work culture through regular internal communication and stakeholder engagement.
- We will ensure that consideration is given to purchasing environmentally sustainable products and services and develop sustainable supply chains by using suppliers that have environmental standards compatible with our own.
- We have robust procurement procedures and policies in place so that the environment is considered as part of our decision making processes.

Objectives for the financial year 2020/21

To actively engage staff in developing an action plan for improving our impact on the environment and then;

- Undertake a retrospective organisational carbon footprint impact assessment for 2019/20 to enable us to monitor progress made in 2020
- Implementing changes that require manageable costs or resources within the year
- Set targets for longer term changes where further action is needed to overcome any additional barriers to immediate implementation
- Monitor and report on our progress throughout the year
- Prepare a new action plan for 2021/22

Ormiston Families will publish the environmental policy statement on its website and include an 'Environmental Statement' in the Trustees' Annual Report

This policy statement was approved by Allan Myatt, Chief Executive Officer, in January 2020. Ormiston Families senior leadership team are responsible for implementing this policy.