

## **Environmental Policy**

### **Purpose**

Throughout this policy we may make reference to Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton, the Organisation or ACL&S. This means however that the policy is applicable to the Charity, Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton, the trading company, Age Concern Liverpool (Services) Ltd and any subsequent company within the group

Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton is a registered charity, number 517902, that “promotes and assists the general good of all older people in any geographical area but with a particular focus on North Merseyside meaning Liverpool, Sefton and all areas north of the River Mersey, by making gifts of sums of money and goods to such older people, providing facilities for physical and mental recreation, developing physical improvement, furthering health, relieving poverty, distress or sickness or pursuing any objects which now or hereafter may be deemed by law to be charitable and to assist the work of statutory authorities and voluntary organisations engaged in pursuing the objects of the Association.

To promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the objects of the Association and to that end, to bring together representatives of the authorities and organisations engaged in the furtherance of the objects of the Association wherever they may operate but with particular focus on North Merseyside”.

### **Statement of Principle**

Working today for sustainability tomorrow

### **Our Aims**

As part of its corporate identity, the management and Trustees of Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton are committed to a programme of continual improvement in the implementation and promotion of sustainable policies which aim to prevent pollution, minimise environmental impact wherever it occurs, maximise energy efficiency, resource conservation and the recycling of waste. Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton is committed to comply with all applicable legal requirements, codes of practice and other regulatory controls as a minimum.

In accordance with its role as a provider of quality services and activities for older people, Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton will seek to integrate environmental principles into staff development, through guidelines and training, and through Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton’s relationships with the wider community.

## Responsibility

In accordance with its environmental aims and principles, Age Concern Liverpool & Sefton:

- Recognises that environmental regulation, law and codes of practice are essential bench marks for setting the maximum standards of environmental performance.
- Recognises that the implementation of the Environmental Policy is dependent on an effective management system.
- Where practicable will use environmentally safe and sustainable energy sources to meet its needs.
- Will seek to address its impact on the environment
- Will continually improve overall environmental performance
- Maintains that a primary part of its corporate environmental strategy is sustainable waste management and as such recognises its responsibilities to recycle materials wherever possible through safe and responsible methods.
- Will work with its suppliers to ensure they recognise and reduce the environmental impact of their products and transportation and measured by periodic review of suppliers' environmental policy and impact assessments.
- Through coordinating route planning, seeks to realise the dual benefits of reduced fuel consumption and lower exhaust emissions.
- Acknowledges the important contribution that all of its staff can make through participating in and promoting sustainable activities in their professional lives.
- Recognises the need for continuously updating and improving its environmental policy.
- Is committed to informing its staff, suppliers and other clients of its environment policy, and to work to minimise the impact that their actions are having on the environment.
- Will make this policy available to the public.

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