

Environmental Policy

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Cambusbarron Village Nursery

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General aims and philosophy of the policy:

Cambusbarron Village Nursery has a duty to prepare future generations with the knowledge and skills to manage resources wisely. It is our aim to help children develop good habits and behaviour patterns in order that they can contribute to a sustainable future and to enable the nursery community to develop a life ethic that values all people and the natural environment.

Litter and Waste

We aim to:

- · Recognise that reducing and reusing come before recycling
- Send information electronically where possible and where appropriate
- Recycle waste, presently aluminium, paper, card, glass, plastic bottles, food waste, in accordance with Stirling Council's Waste Management plan
- Reduce the amount of waste produced
- Include teaching on litter prevention and recycling as part of the nursery curriculum and culture (SOC 0-08a; TCH 0-02a; SOC 0-17a), including outside visitors, i.e. recycling lorry
- Only use one paper towel when drying hands
- Not waste food
- Provide opportunities to buy and sell nursery uniforms second hand
- Promote recycling of clothing with 'Ragbag' collections

Water

We aim to:

- Turn off taps after washing hands
- Not leave taps running when washing up
- Establish and raise awareness amongst staff and children of actions that can reduce water consumption
- Raise awareness of the link between weather and water supplies

Energy use:

We aim to:

- Switch off lights and computer when not in use
- Use screen savers on the computer when not in use for short periods
- Use rechargeable batteries where possible
- Work with Stirling Council in developing energy efficiency within the building

Transport

We aim to:

- Promote walking to nursery over car travel
- Share car use to and from meetings where public transport is not an option
- Purchase goods in bulk, where appropriate
- Purchase goods from local suppliers where reasonable and possible
- Promote road safety for children and families.

Purchasing policy

We aim to:

- Check environmental standards of suppliers
- Purchase paper and other stationary that is recycled or from sustainable managed forestry
- Consider ethical implications of purchases, i.e. Fairtrade