

The Egham Museum Trust

Environmental Sustainability Policy

Dates

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Introduction

The Egham Museum Trust recognises that its activities impact the environment through energy and water used, waste produced, and travel amongst staff and patrons. Thus, TEMT, the Curator and the team of volunteers are committed to reducing the impact of the Museum’s operations on the environment and reducing its carbon footprint.

Practice

The Egham Museum Trust will strive to manage and control its environmental performance by complying with all relevant environmental legislation and will aim to operate within the Government’s commitment to good environmental practices:

- The Museum will take 'Digital First' approach where possible to reduce environmental impact in the administration of the Museum, for example, moving to the online catalogue, virtual meetings, etc.
- The Museum will support and encourage the conservation of energy, water, paper, and other resources.
- Environmental factors will be given due consideration in the design, refurbishment, and use of Museum building which includes exhibitions and layout designs.
- The Museum will endeavour to incorporate sustainability issues into future policy decisions where it does not become a detriment to the Museum’s daily activities.

- The Museum is committed to reducing waste through re-use and recycling and by using reconditioned and recycled products and materials where such alternatives are available and appropriate.
- The Museum will communicate its sustainable development policy to staff, stakeholders, and volunteers, thereby encouraging staff and volunteers to work in an environmentally responsible manner.
- The Museum will consider the procurement of goods that have the lowest environmental impact as it pertains to their production, delivery, installation, use and disposal wherever practical.
- The Museum will endeavour to identify Environmental Sustainability priorities and develop plans to address them.

To ensure these commitments are met, these policies will be periodically monitored to review our environmental performance and take corrective action if necessary.