



## Sustainability Policy

Prison Fellowship acknowledges the connection between the climate and other environmental crises and the threat of current and future homelessness, disease, food and water shortages and poverty for millions of people around the world, as well as the major damage being caused to our natural eco-systems.

We therefore recognise our responsibility to reduce our carbon and environmental footprints and we formally commit to being an environmentally responsible charity. Concern for the environment is an integral and fundamental part of this commitment. Our aim is to reduce the impact on the environment from our operations. Operating sustainably is an integral part of our values and beliefs.

To take this forward we will:

- Promote responsibility for the environment within the organisation and communicate and implement this policy within the workforce;
- Consider the environmental impact when obtaining materials and resources;
- Reduce the use of energy, water and other resources;
- Minimise waste by reduction, re-use and recycling methods and by evaluating operations to ensure they are as efficient as possible;
- Be mindful of our paper usage and, where possible, advertise events digitally rather than with printed leaflets;
- Encourage staff, volunteers and trustees to use public transport wherever possible to reduce carbon emissions;
- Host meetings and provide training online where practical to reduce the need for travel;
- Meet or exceed any environmental legislation that relates to our work;
- Ensure that our policies and services are developed in a way that is complimentary to this policy;
- Not solicit funding from the fossil fuel industry;
- Identify and provide appropriate advice and information for staff and encourage them to develop new ideas and initiatives.

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