

Priory Sailing Club Environmental Policy

Priory Sailing Club is committed to minimising the impact of its activities on the environment. This Policy Statement sets out how we will work towards achieving our environmental objectives.

- We will meet the environmental legislation that relates to the operation of the clubhouse and boat park, and where possible identify opportunities to adopt best practice over and above the minimum legislative requirements.
- We will ensure that club safety boats are fuelled safely and responsibly to avoid spillages and pollution. Safety boat drivers will be trained in refuelling good practice and responsible driving.
- We will aim to minimise the use of electricity in all of our activities. For example; turning off lights, replacing old light bulbs with energy efficient models.
- We will aim to minimise the use of water in all of our activities. For example; fitting hoses with automatic trigger nozzles and turning off taps when not in use.
- We will aim to reduce our creation of waste by following the principles of the 3R's (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) , for example we will:
 - **Reduce** waste by only printing and photocopying if absolutely essential and then double-sided, communicating to members via email rather than printed materials
 - **Reuse** items whenever possible when repairing craft and running events
 - **Recycle** as much waste as possible by providing adequate clearly labelled bins and increasing our waste and recycling bins and/or collections during busy events.
- We will endeavour to take a sustainable approach to running events.
- We will promote relevant local environmental information to our members such as the location of seasonal no go zones, sensitive habitats/species.
- We will publicise our environmental commitment and promote sustainability amongst our members and visitors on our website and club notice boards.
- We will take the environmental credentials of our suppliers into account when procuring new products. By doing so we wish to encourage other organisations to integrate sustainability into their operations.
- We will measure our progress and review this policy on an annual basis.