

LEADA

**ENVIRONMENTAL
SUSTAINABILITY
POLICY**

LEADA Cambs CIC Environmental Sustainability Policy

The relevant One Planet principles:

Health and Happiness
Equity and Local Economy
Culture and Community
Local and Sustainable food
Sustainable Materials
Sustainable transport
Zero waste
Zero carbon
Land use and wildlife
Clean water

Our Commitments

- ❖ Comply with all environmental legislation and regularly review our policy and actions
- ❖ Discuss environmental issues and enshrine sustainability at the heart of what we do
- ❖ Encourage exploration of Environmental Sustainability through our Dramatic Arts programme
- ❖ Use low-energy equipment for productions and events
- ❖ Encourage sustainable practices throughout the production process
- ❖ Increase Staff and Volunteer awareness of environmental policies and encourage a culture of shared responsibility
- ❖ Communicate our initiatives and progress to audiences and partners.
- ❖ Reduce wastage, preserve resources and recycle
- ❖ Reduce our carbon footprint

Implementation

This approach to Environmental Sustainability practice is supported and endorsed by the Directors of LEADA Cambs CIC.

It is communicated to Staff, Volunteers, Members and Families and Visitors regularly through the LEADA Handbook which is given to all new LEADA members, Staff and Volunteers.

Any member of LEADA may contribute new initiatives to the Directors to discuss at their Monthly/ Quarterly Meetings

We have endeavoured to reduce our carbon footprint and have identified ways in which we can help improve Environmental Sustainability.

- All communication with our members is paperless: Facebook, Messenger, email, texts and calls.
- We are now sending scripts and lyrics sheets to members via email so they can use their tablets, phone to learn lines and songs.
- On the rare occasions we print, we use recycled paper and sustainable recyclable ink cartridges
- Larger print jobs (programmes, flyers) are done by Printing services who have signed up to using sustainable paper, printing processes and components and are committed to reducing their carbon footprint
- We use recycled materials wherever we can for costumes, props and set construction and buy materials from recycling centres, charity shops. We also recycle costumes, props and set flats and dressings for other shows
- We use Lighting companies who use LED lights with a much higher energy saving rating.
- We avoid using plastic consumables and are in discussion about involving our members to take action regarding single-use plastic.
- We use washable cups and plates for serving refreshments and on our Hospitality tables.
- We use locally sourced and produced food whenever we can and request that guests donate a plate of nibbles at events
- For tuition purposes we send a link for music to be listened to and learned rather than burn discs

This policy and the Action Plan are reviewed regularly by LEADA Cambs CIC Directors and we will encourage meaningful debate and consideration of our commitments and priorities.

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