



Heybridge Parish Council

Environmental Policy

1. Introduction and aim

Heybridge Parish Council is committed to protecting the environment in all of the areas for which it has a responsibility. The main areas of responsibility include Plantation Hall, King George V Playing Field and amenity areas located at The Roothings, Rowan Drive and Elizabeth Way. The Parish Council employs contractors to overlook the grounds maintenance.

2. Objectives of the Parish Council

The objectives of the Parish Council are:

- 2.1 Make efficient use of natural resources by conserving energy and water, minimising waste and recycling where possible.
- 2.2 Use recycled materials whenever these can be justified.
- 2.3 Keep transport use to a minimum.
- 2.4 Work with suppliers to ensure they recognise and reduce the environmental impact of their products and transportation.
- 2.5 Include environmental considerations in investment decisions for new equipment or working practices.
- 2.6 Use the most environmentally friendly cleaning products whenever possible.

3. Recycling and Reducing

3.1 The Parish Council office waste is recycled and collected by a local contractor.

3.2 Plantation Hall has energy efficient light bulbs and all equipment is regularly tested for safety. The hot water urn located in the kitchen is regularly serviced.

3.3 The Parish Council is actively encouraging its 12 Members to accept emails rather than paper documents to reduce consumption of paper and printer use.

4. Status and Review

This policy is to be considered for adoption by full Council on the 17th November 2016 and will be reviewed annually. Adopted by full Council on 15th December 2016.