



## Palgrave & District Community Centre (PDCC)

### Environment and Sustainability Policy

The PDCC Trustee Committee endeavours to set a responsible attitude towards the environment and encourages all users of the facilities to do likewise. All user groups must enter into the spirit of this policy. All hirers of the Hall are encouraged to take a responsible attitude towards the environment when using the premises.

The Committee is committed to working in partnership with the local community including the Parish Council, District and County Councils, and existing user-groups.

Our aim is to make a positive impact on our local community by:

1. Contributing to a better local environment
  - By maintaining and enhancing the Community Centre property
  - By minimising energy use, reducing pollution and using natural resources more efficiently
  - By minimising waste through re-use and re-cycling
  - By reducing the need to travel.
2. Supporting a better local economy
  - By providing a venue that can be used by local businesses
  - By supporting local producers and retailers when purchasing goods and services.
  - By encouraging and supporting the development of community enterprises.
3. Contributing to better social conditions
  - By tackling factors that contribute to people feeling isolated.
  - By promoting the value of diversity, local identity and culture.
  - By providing equal opportunities for all individuals and groups to use the Hall.
  - By promoting activities that lead to healthy lifestyles and wellbeing.

In pursuing the above aims we will involve local people and will encourage volunteers from the community to contribute to the management of the Hall and the delivery of its activities and events.

The successful implementation of this policy depends on the awareness and commitment of all members of the Trustee Committee and all volunteers who support the activities of the Village Hall. Accordingly, all new members and volunteers will be made aware of the existence of the policy when first joining and made aware that they will be expected to conform with its requirements.

Compliance with this policy will be monitored and reported to the Trustees Committee on an annual basis.

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**Signed:**

**Chairman PDCC**