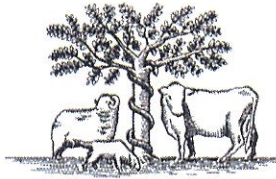


# Environmental Sustainability Policy

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Providing veterinary care for small animal, farm animal and equine.

### Environmental Commitment

**We support Vet Sustain's veterinary sustainability goals. We acknowledge that our veterinary activities, services and operations have an impact on the environment and have identified key impacts related to our business that contribute to our environmental and carbon footprint. Through the implementation of this sustainability policy we will encourage wide reaching participation, working to reduce these impacts, whilst upholding the highest standards of animal health, welfare and clinical care for our patients.**

### Key Impacts

Activities within our practice have an impact on our carbon footprint. By calculating our carbon footprint, we can understand those impacts and identify areas that need improving.

**Our practice carbon footprint is 54.14 tonnes CO2 for year 2025.**

We have identified the following key business activities that contribute to our overall environmental and carbon footprint:

- Use of fossil fuels (gas usage)
- Use of electricity
- Waste generation & disposal
- Use of anaesthetic gases
- Use of water
- Carbon emissions from transport of personnel & animals
- Carbon emissions from staff
- Consumption of raw materials (including prescribed drugs, plastics, needles)
- Use of parasiticides
- Use of antimicrobials

## Actions

**Having identified the key environmental impacts of our practice, we commit to reducing these through continual improvement. We pledge to contribute to a healthy environment for our employees and patients through the following actions:**

1. *Monitoring key resources:* such as electricity, gas, water and setting targets for reduction; put water-saving measures in place; reduce use of disposable materials such as single use plastics; go paper-free; make sustainable choices when purchasing equipment/consumables; review and optimise waste management implementing the 3Rs (reduce, re-use, recycle)
2. As a practice we have already stopped using plastic bags for dispensing. We are recycling as much as we can including blister packets, installation of solar panels in November 2025 to help reduce our carbon footprint by 12 tonnes per year, LED lighting across the practice and using medicines responsibly including antibiotics and anthelmintics.
3. *Use medicines responsibly:* Practise responsible use of medicines; avoid drug wastage through good stock control; encourage appropriate drug disposal among staff and clients.
4. *Empower the team:* Examples include: Convey sustainability policy to the whole team and encourage continued participation by all team members; access sustainability focused forum and training

## Targets

We, Bredy Veterinary Centre, pledge to reducing our environmental impact by continual improvement and reduce our carbon emissions by 10% in the next 2 years and through our commitment to the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons Practice Standards Accreditation Scheme Sustainability Award.

## Communication

- This policy has been reviewed by the directors and is available to view at the practice and on our website.
- Please provide any feedback to the Environmental Sustainability Champion, 'Claire Millard'. We encourage feedback and participation from all to continue improving our carbon footprint.
- Further resources and training can be found on the 'Vet Sustain' website.

Signed



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