

Environmental Policy

Westerton B&B

At Westerton B&B we understand that our business can have both direct and indirect consequences for the environment. We aim to find ways to minimise negative impacts on the environment whilst maximising opportunities for improvement in environmental performance.

We are committed to providing a safe and healthy living environment in our operation - promoting environmental awareness and ensuring full compliance with all Social, Ethical and Environmental (SEE) legislation and regulations.

Responsibility for environmental issues, policy and regular monitoring lies with the owner. As part of the process of assessing environmental impacts Westerton B&B will gather information and review this policy annually. We will also continually strive to identify and minimise waste and reduce the environmental impact of other activities such as communications, travel, and facilities management. We welcome feedback from our guests on environmental matters.

Social, Ethical and Environmental Practices

We recycle as much waste as possible - Paper, cardboard, cans, glass, plastic bottles, plastic food containers and tetrapacks . We recycle all food and garden waste. Only two standard grey bins of non recyclable waste are used per month.

We aim to source as many of our B&B foods, soaps, toiletries and linen from Scottish suppliers.

We source as many of our breakfast ingredients as we can from local suppliers . Our granola and natural yoghurt are homemade. We ask our guests to pre-order breakfast the night before to minimise food waste.

Callander is fortunate to have a natural soft water supply from the Kelty Water, which can be enjoyed straight from the tap. There is no need for expensive single use plastic bottles of water.

Guests are encouraged to help us care for the environment by minimising unnecessary towel laundering. We use steam cleaning whenever possible to minimise the use of chemicals harmful to the environment.

All guest rooms have showers with eco settings and all have eco shower heads to minimise water and energy consumption.

90% of our bulbs are energy saving. Our main kitchen appliances are all A or B rated.

Our roof space has been fully insulated and considerably exceeds the recommended levels.

We feed our birds and red squirrels throughout the winter with seed mix, fat balls, niger seeds and peanuts. We have an ongoing planting program to increase the number and diversity of our wildlife.

We only use local contractors and upon receipt of invoices are 'next day' payers.

We utilise recycled stationery products wherever practical. Our preferred method of communication is telephone or email.

We minimise vehicle use as much as possible.

We have carried out a risk assessment for the Fire regulations and produced full Fire Safety notes for guests. The alarm system and emergency lighting systems are in accordance with the current regulations.

There is a strict no smoking policy within the B&B, and it's external grounds.

If you have any suggestions regarding ways we can minimise waste and safeguard the environment, please let us know.

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