



Environmental and Sustainability Policy

¹Airdrie Community Club

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Introduction

Airdrie Community Club, hereafter to be referred to as ACC is committed to operating in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner. As a community football club and charity based in Scotland, we recognize our responsibility to reduce our environmental impact, conserve natural resources, and promote sustainability in both our production processes and business practices.

We are dedicated to ensuring that our operations contribute positively to the environment, local community, and economy. This policy outlines our commitment to sustainability, the environmental impacts of our operations, and the steps we will take to improve our environmental performance.

Our Environmental and Sustainability Goals

We aim to:

Reduce Waste: Minimize waste generated from production and other activities.

Improve Energy Efficiency: Reduce energy consumption in our operations.

Sustainable Sourcing: Using products and materials that reduce our Environmental impact.

Minimize Carbon Footprint: Reduce our carbon emissions and greenhouse gas impact.

Comply with Regulations: Adhere to all relevant environmental legislation, including local, national, and European regulations.

Promote Sustainability: Educate our staff, coaches, volunteers and suppliers on sustainable practices and encourage environmentally friendly products and processes.

Key Areas of Focus

Waste Management

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We are committed to reducing, reusing, and recycling materials wherever possible. In particular:

We will recycle responsibly and look to put in place kit and boot recycling as well as promoting the non use of single use plastic bottles.

We will ensure that any non-recyclable waste (e.g., chemicals, paints, etc.) is disposed of in a compliant and responsible manner.

Implement efficient inventory management to avoid over-ordering and unnecessary waste.

Sustainable Sourcing

We are committed to sourcing products and materials from sustainable sources:

We will seek suppliers who share our commitment to sustainability and eco-friendly materials.

Where feasible, we will use locally sourced materials to reduce the carbon footprint associated with transportation.

Energy Efficiency

We recognize the importance of reducing energy consumption in our daily operations:

We will invest in energy-efficient machinery and lighting.

We will make efforts to reduce energy consumption in our sessions by turning off equipment when not in use and using energy-saving alternatives.

Our offices and facilities will adopt energy-efficient heating systems, and we will encourage the use of renewable energy sources where possible.

Carbon Footprint

We are dedicated to reducing our carbon emissions:

We will monitor and track our carbon footprint to identify areas for improvement.

We will adopt a sustainable transport policy by encouraging staff, coaches and players to use public transportation, carpooling, or cycling to training or games and we will prioritize suppliers who also adhere to carbon-reduction practices.

We will calculate and offset our carbon emissions through schemes such as tree planting or carbon offset credits.

Product Lifecycle

We will explore options for reusing or donating all unneeded kit and equipment.

Employee Engagement and Training



Our staff, coaches, Volunteers and players are key to achieving our sustainability goals.

We will:

Provide training on sustainable practices to ensure all staff, coaches, Volunteers and players understand their roles in reducing waste, improving energy efficiency, and sourcing responsibly.

Encourage suggestions from staff, coaches, Volunteers and players for improving environmental performance within the business.

Establish a green team or environmental committee led by our ses champion to implement and monitor our sustainability initiatives.

Partnerships and Collaboration

We are committed to building relationships with like-minded businesses and organizations:

We will collaborate with local environmental organizations to stay informed on best practices and innovations in sustainability.

We will support local initiatives and contribute to community-based environmental projects.

Monitoring, Review, and Reporting

We will:

Regularly review and assess our environmental performance against our goals.

Implement improvements and updates to our policy where necessary to ensure we continue to minimize our environmental impact.

Provide annual updates on our sustainability achievements to staff, coaches, Volunteers, players and stakeholders.

Legal Compliance

We will ensure full compliance with all environmental laws and regulations relevant to our operations, including but not limited to:

- The Environmental Protection Act 1990 (Scotland).
- The Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.
- Relevant waste management and chemical safety regulations.

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