Arts Council of Northern Ireland

Environmental Policy Summary

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Who We Are

We are a small public sector organisation with fewer than 50 staff, most of whom work remotely. We are committed to reducing our environmental impact and promoting sustainability in everything we do - at home and when working together in person.

Our Commitments

🔌 Energy Efficiency

- Encourage energy-saving practices in home offices.
- Use low-energy devices and switch off equipment when not in use.

🖥️ Digital Sustainability

- Reduce unnecessary emails and data storage.
- Minimise printing and use electronic files wherever possible.

🧑‍💻 Travel Responsibly

- Use video calls instead of travel where possible.
- Choose sustainable transport options for essential in-person meetings.

♻️ Reduce Waste

- Recycle paper and packaging at home and in the office.
- Ensure old IT equipment is recycled responsibly.

🛍️ Sustainable Purchasing

- Choose eco-friendly products and suppliers.
- Consider the environmental impact when making procurement decisions.

How We Do It

- Everyone plays a role – from senior leaders to home-based staff.
- We review this policy every year to keep improving.
- Staff are encouraged to suggest sustainable ideas.

✍️ Together, we're making a difference – even from home.

Want to help more? Share your green ideas with **info@artscouncil-ni.org**