



Environmental Policy

Environmental Policy Statement

Parents in Partnership, Croydon aims to protect the environment by ensuring the sustainable use and disposal of scarce resources.

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1. Aims

This policy translates the core environmental aims and beliefs of the organisation into objectives and guidelines for action, which will inform and have an impact on all areas of our work.

2. Principles and Procedures

Parents in Partnership, Croydon will:

- Adopt and aim to apply the principles of sustainable development - that is development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
- Strive to adopt the highest available environmental standards in all areas of its operations.

To achieve this we will: investigate new environmental techniques and practices to ensure PIP Croydon is keeping abreast of what can be done and implementing them where appropriate.

- Aim to minimise the use of all materials, supplies and energies.

To achieve this we will: Aim to use suppliers who recycle their products such as toner cartridges.

- Have a policy to always use both sides of a piece of paper. Unwanted printed paper will be turned into booklets for making notes.
- Aim to incorporate energy saving technologies when purchasing and replacing office equipment.
- Purchase, where feasible, sustainable products for use in the organisations operations, i.e. recycled, FSC or low environmental impact products and energy from renewable sources.
- Expect similar environmental standards from any partners involved in our work.
- Emails have the sign-off stating 'think before you print'.
- Documents are emailed to staff to save on printing and using extra paper.
- Recycling bin in the office for paper and cardboard.

To achieve this we will: Where applicable and appropriate discuss what environmental practices existing and new partners are carrying out and share information on what PIP Croydon is doing.

- Publicise our environmental position.

To achieve this we will: Publicise stories about PIP's green practices through:

- Newsletter
- Website
- Publicity material
- Encourage employee involvement in environmental action.

To achieve this we will: Have a lead figure (Partnership Manager) to act as an 'Environmental Champion' for the organisation, give advice to employees and lead on initiatives to make PIP as green an organisation as possible.

At staff inductions discuss the various environmental practices PIP do and what is required of the members of staff to keep up with these practices.

- Aim to include environmental and ethical considerations in investment decisions where appropriate.
- Assess the environmental impact of all its operations on a continual basis.

- The printing of large documents, booklets and leaflets need to be authorised by the Partnership Manager prior to printing.

To achieve this we will: Led through PIP's 'Environmental Champion' regular check dates at certain periods throughout the year.

This Environmental Policy detailed above was agreed and minuted at a meeting of the Board of Trustees on:

Approved by: Julie Newton-Smith Chair of Trustees	Signed:	Date: Review: July 2018
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