

Sustainability Management Plan

Timescale: This plan runs from 1st January 2024 To 31st December 2029 and will be reviewed and updated annually to reflect actions taken and new actions planned or underway

We are committed to taking the steps required to operate our business in the most sustainable manner that we can. We also recognise that we require external support and expertise to guide us on this pathway and therefore we have partnered with the Green Hospitality Award to provide this support.

Green Hospitality Award provides a certification programme that allows us to start this journey and build up our knowledge and activities over time. The Green Hospitality Award supports multiple UN Sustainable Development Goals, the Circular Economy and Climate Change and is aligned with the EU Ecolabel, the Global Sustainable Tourism Council Criteria and supports the All Island Sustainable Tourism Assurance programme which ensures we are aligned with national and international objectives and enable us to satisfy the demands and needs of all our stakeholders – Our Customers, Employees, Local Community, Regulatory Authorities, Financial Supporters, etc. - whilst minimising our emissions and becoming more efficient.

Our vision is to keep improving our performance annually whilst running a financially sustainable business.

Our focus will be on initially implementing the standards required to achieve the **Green Hospitality Eco-Label Award** which will provide us with an excellent base and then to improve and add additional standards and actions, that will see us embedding sustainability within our business.

Our Sustainability Plan will focus on developing and implementing the following plans;

- Adopting a broad Sustainability Policy and setting Targets
- Management Plan
- Energy & Carbon, Water & Waste Management & Minimisation Plans
- Green Procurement Plan
- Communication Plan
- Local Community Plan
- Biodiversity Plan
- Employee Welfare Plan

We recognise that it takes time to implement all the sustainability actions a business could so our priority will be to focus on the most important and impactful ones and then work towards the others over time.

Green Memberships/Awards

Green Hospitality https://greenhospitality.ie/



Repak https://repak.ie/



WEEE Ireland https://www.weeeireland.ie/



Sustainability Policy

We recognise that our business can be operated in a more sustainable way, especially in minimising our environmental impact, and that we can support the wider community in protecting and enhancing the environment for future generations and to support the development of a sustainable industry.

To this end we are committed to taking the following actions

To secure and then maintain the **Green Hospitality Eco-Label Award** which will embed our Sustainability Plan within our business

To produce and publish our Sustainability Plans along with the actions we are taking to support the plans on our website and elsewhere and update this information annually

To develop specific achievable targets to maximise our sustainability and minimise our environmental impact

To comply fully with all relevant legislation and local authority and regulatory requirements

Carbon Emissions

To measure and then take actions to minimise our Scope 1 & 2 Carbon Footprint in support of the Climate Act and to identify the Scope 3 emissions we can have a strong impact on

Energy Reduction

To measure our energy consumption and implement actions to reduce our energy consumption and continue to monitor consumptions regularly

Waste Reduction

To measure our waste production and implement actions to minimise waste production and continue to monitor production regularly

Water Reduction

To measure our water consumption and implement actions to minimise mains water consumption and continue to monitor consumptions regularly

Circular Economy

To Reduce, Reuse, Recycle the resources consumed by our business in support of the Circular Economy

Employee Engagement

To provide all employees with the training and resources required to support our Sustainability Plan and work to improve and enhance their employment conditions and to operate as an Equal Opportunity Employer

Communication

To openly communicate our policies and practices to all stakeholders and invite them to take actions to support them

Green Procurement

To develop a responsible purchasing policy that favours local sourcing, and implement it across the business

Biodiversity

To adopt a Biodiversity policy that enables the business to be a positive contributor to Biodiversity, locally and nationally

Local Community

To adopt a Local Community Engagement policy that ensures our business contributes to the local economy

Sustainability Targets

Our initial targets are to

- Implement the Green Hospitality Eco-Label Award Standards by January 2024
- Apply for and secure the Green Hospitality Eco-Label Award by July 2024

Once we have achieved the Green Hospitality Eco-Label Award, we will review all the information and data we have gathered and set new targets for the forthcoming years We will review and update this policy and our targets at least annually, and as we grow more confident regarding our ability to improve our sustainability performance.

This is a far-reaching Policy and when starting to embed sustainability within our business we realise that we cannot implement every action immediately but will improve over time – however, we will constantly return to this policy to maintain our focus and vision in our planning and day-to-day operation

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