



SUSSEX NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

WASTE WISE POLICY

RATIONALE

Sussex Neighbourhood House sees itself as playing an educative role within the community, and as such will promote the rationale and practices relating to waste minimization with House users.

The Committee of Management and staff of Sussex Neighbourhood House Inc are committed to minimising any adverse local or global environmental impact caused by the operation of our service.

We acknowledge the role that Sussex Neighbourhood House Inc can play in supporting community education, by:

- providing up to date information, and
- acting as a model of best practice in the area of low energy usage and waste minimisation.

PROCEDURES

Waste Reduction

The use of disposable items in the House is strongly discouraged, with the organisation working towards eliminating the use of such products. These items include disposable cups and glasses, paper plates, and unnecessary packaging. Sussex Neighbourhood House will maintain an adequate supply of crockery and cutlery for most uses, and make every effort to provide for the catering needs of all groups and House users.

The use of items made from recycled materials will be actively encouraged across all areas of the House. These items include: photocopying paper, toilet paper etc

Waste Disposal

- Glass and plastic containers, and aluminium and steel cans are to be washed and placed in the appropriate recycling bins.
- Clean paper and cardboard are to be placed in the appropriate recycling box.
- All recycling and rubbish containers will be clearly labelled for easy sorting of waste materials.

Paper Usage

Strategies will be employed to minimise paper usage, particularly in the classroom and the administration areas.

These include:

- Double siding of photocopies where practical,
- Reusing paper for drafts, faxes and notes
- Recycling