



Environmental Policy

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Policy Scope

This policy lays out the environmental responsibilities and procedures at FEAST With Us ("FEAST"). As an environmentally conscious organisation, we will prioritise sustainability at the heart of our operations. This includes but is not limited to (where possible) the use of surplus food, recyclable, biodegradable materials, and zero-emission transportation.

FEAST Roles & Responsibilities

FEAST Commitments:

- Where possible, maximising the use of surplus food resources which would otherwise have gone to waste, namely fruit, vegetables, and other foods that have reached their sell-by but not their use-by dates and cannot be sold by retailers.
- Measure and take action to reduce food waste at venues.
- Operate in accordance with the waste hierarchy, putting in place a **Prevent – Reuse – Recycle** mindset across all operations.
- Work with our partners and partner venues to implement more sustainable practices.
- Maintain the use of biodegradable materials where possible and to minimise the presence of single-use plastics through FEAST operations.
- Continuously improve our environmental performance by integrating recognised environmental best practice into our business operations.
- Use alternatives to petrol and diesel cars for food collections and meal distributions where possible, e.g. bicycles and electric vehicles.
- Review partnerships in line with this policy and our values relating to sustainability to ensure that, as far as possible, resources, systems, and partners contribute towards minimising our environmental impact.
- Monitor key operations objectives and targets for managing our environmental performance.
- Engage with stakeholders (partners and volunteers), including communicating internally and externally our environmental policy and performance on a regular basis.

- Communicate the importance of food waste and environmental issues to our staff, volunteers, and partners through marketing posts and our annual impact report.
 - Provide training to FEAST and partner staff and volunteers on reducing food waste as part of running a FEAST session within agreed standards.
 - Work together with our staff, volunteers, partners, and suppliers to promote improved environmental performance with particular focus on reducing food waste and single-use resources.
 - FEAST is aware of the environmental impact of AI due to its very high energy and water consumption. We will take this into account when considering our environmental impact and seek to make use of any emerging technologies that will help to minimise or mitigate this.
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Contacting Us

If you have any questions about this policy, please contact us at info@feastwithus.org.uk.

Reviewed and approved on 12 June 26 by Caroline Monkhouse Flower, CEO, and Helen Burgess, Chair of the Board of Trustees, on behalf of the board.

Signed by:



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