

Fernwood Village Hall Environmental Policy

Adopted on April 17th 2023

The Fernwood Village Hall Management Group is committed to protecting and actively promoting the improvement of the local environment.

The Fernwood Village Hall Management Group will ensure that environmental priorities are integrated into the decisions it takes on all its services and will seek to:

1) Make the most efficient use of energy. It will endeavour to use the minimum quantities of energy possible in accordance with the safe and efficient operation of its heating, lighting, plant and machinery. It will from time to time review its energy sources, energy using appliances and energy efficiency with a view to causing the least environmental impact. It will monitor consumption and eliminate excessive or unnecessary use. It will communicate to hirers and staff the means by which energy may be conserved, e.g. closing doors.

2) Encourage those using the hall to walk, cycle and use public or communal transport as alternatives to the private car.

3) Minimise and where possible eliminate all forms of pollution, using biodegradable chemicals where possible, and minimising use of solvents and lead-based paints. Users will be encouraged to avoid creating noise pollution, especially at night.

4) Use the minimum quantities of water possible in accordance with its activities and ensure that the water it uses is both supplied and disposed of, in the purest condition possible, meeting statutory requirements. It will reduce leakage and eliminate excessive or unnecessary use, e.g. through avoiding unnecessary flushing of urinals when the hall is not in use. It will communicate to users and staff the need to conserve water e.g. turning taps off after use.

5) Avoid waste and encourage the appropriate conservation, re-use and recycling of resources. It will reuse and recycle materials as far as possible and, if this is impractical, disposal by a means which will have the least impact on the environment and conforms to statutory requirements. It will encourage staff to minimise waste, including the provision of separate disposal facilities for recycling glass, tins and paper. It will also recycling green waste from the Village Hall garden.

6) It will ensure that the potential environmental impact of any building projects will be assessed and minimised. This will include, where possible, methods of construction which make best use of resources; designs which result in low maintenance and high energy efficiency and the use of building materials from sustainable sources such as timber. It will encourage volunteers, hirers and staff to use and operate the building correctly to conserve energy and minimise waste.

7) Promote a sense of responsibility and understanding for the environment and participation in environmental issues, by raising user and staff awareness, by information provision and open consultation with the local community.

8) It will seek, where possible, to purchase from local or regional suppliers, in order to maximise input to the local community and minimise carbon emissions from transport.

9) Protect the health and well-being of all staff and visitors and improve and safeguard the quality of Fernwood Village Hall.

10) Monitor, review and where possible improve performance each year with positive action on any areas of non-compliance. Any significant government legislative requirements will be addressed in recommended Government time frame where action is required before the next annual review date.

Useful Links to consider:

20 actions parish and town councils can take on the climate and nature emergency - <u>View PDF (friendsoftheearth.uk)</u>

Centre for sustainable energy: <u>Home - Centre for Sustainable Energy (cse.org.uk)</u>

Everybody's talking about Carbon Change - <u>Everybody's Talking (everybodys-talking.org)</u>

Energy Savings Trust - Home - Energy Saving Trust

Energy performance certificate (EPC)			
Fernwood Village Hall Rubys Avenue Fernwood NEWARK NG24 3RS	Energy rating	Valid until: 11 July 2031 Certificate number: 8166-6188-0452-1041-5650	
Property type		D1 Non-residential Institutions - Community/Day Centre	
Total floor area		413 square metres	

Rules on letting this property

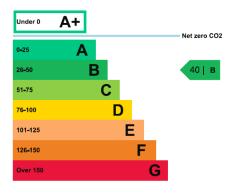
Properties can be let if they have an energy rating from A+ to E.

If a property has an energy rating of F or G, the landlord cannot grant a tenancy to new or existing tenants, unless an exemption has been registered.

From 1 April 2023, landlords will not be allowed to continue letting a non-domestic property on an existing lease if that property has an energy rating of F or G.

Energy efficiency rating for this property

This property's current energy rating is B.



Properties are also given a score. The larger the number, the more carbon dioxide (CO2) your property is likely to emit.

How this property compares to others

Properties similar to this one could have ratings:

If newly built

If typical of the existing stock



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Properties are given a rating from A+ (most efficient) to G (least efficient).

Breakdown of this property's energy performance

Main heating fuel	Natural Gas
Building environment	Heating and Natural Ventilation
Assessment level	3
Building emission rate (kgCO2/m2 per year)	81.25
Primary energy use (kWh/m2 per year)	569

Recommendation report

Guidance on improving the energy performance of this property can be found in the <u>recommendation</u> <u>report (/energy-certificate/1048-7359-0025-7512-6729)</u>.

Contacting the assessor and accreditation scheme

This EPC was created by a qualified energy assessor.

If you are unhappy about your property's energy assessment or certificate, you can complain to the assessor directly.

If you are still unhappy after contacting the assessor, you should contact the assessor's accreditation scheme.

Accreditation schemes are appointed by the government to ensure that assessors are qualified to carry out EPC assessments.

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Assessor contact details

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Accreditation scheme contact details

Accreditation scheme Assessor ID Telephone Email

Assessment details Employer

Employer address

Assessor's declaration

Date of assessment Date of certificate info@ecmk.co.uk Anstey Energy 15 Redmires Close, Loughborough Leicestershire. LE11 4EP The assessor is not related to the owner of the property.

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