

## **LUDLOW 21 ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT**

Ludlow 21 is committed to minimising the environmental impact of our operations wherever practicable whilst having due regard for the requirements of efficiency and effectiveness in a voluntary organisation. We will encourage all partner organisations and participating volunteers to operate according to the guidelines set out below.

### **Purchasing:**

Preference should be given to local suppliers;  
Packaging should be minimal;  
Products using minimum resources of materials or energy should be favoured.

### **Consumables**

The use of paper and other consumables (e.g. inks, batteries, cleaning materials) should be minimised.  
In particular, electronic media should be used in preference to paper;  
all paper used, including for publicity materials, should be recycled or ethically sourced.

### **Catering**

Preference should be given to local suppliers;  
Beverages and condiments should be fairly and ethically traded;  
crockery and cutlery should be re-usable or biodegradable

### **Electrical Equipment**

Any electrical equipment should have low energy consumption;  
Redundant equipment should be recycled (e.g. through the South Shropshire Furniture Scheme);  
Electrical equipment should be used economically.

### **Energy**

Consumption of electricity and other energy forms should be minimised;  
Preference should be given to the use of renewable forms of energy.

### **Travel and Transport**

Travel by foot, bicycle or public transport should be preferred to the use of car;  
Where car journeys are necessary car-sharing should be practised.

### **Finance and Banking Services**

Service providers with a strong ethical stance should be given preference.

### **Monitoring**

We will review the operations of Ludlow 21 Board and our Action Groups annually to identify areas where performance might be improved.

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