



Environmental Policy for Leamington Art in the Park Festival

Introduction:

Art in the Park is committed to minimizing its environmental impact and promoting sustainability. As an arts festival in the UK, we recognize the importance of protecting the environment and aim to inspire positive change within our community. This Environmental Policy outlines our commitment to sustainable practices and sets out the actions we will take to reduce our environmental footprint.

Objectives:

1. Waste Reduction:

- Implement a comprehensive waste management system to reduce, reuse, and recycle materials.
- Encourage festival attendees, vendors, and staff to minimize single-use items and promote the use of reusable alternatives.
- Provide clearly marked recycling stations throughout the festival venue.

2. Energy Efficiency:

- Utilize energy-efficient technologies and practices to minimize energy consumption.
- Explore the use of renewable energy sources where feasible.
- Encourage performers and vendors to use energy-efficient equipment and lighting.
- Work closely with Warwick District Council to improve the current energy efficiency in the Green spaces

3. Transportation:

- Encourage the use of public transportation, cycling, and walking to access the festival.
- Provide incentives for carpooling and prioritize low-emission transport options.
- Collaborate with local transportation services to optimize routes and reduce environmental impact.
- Work with WDC Better points app to encourage sustainable travel.

4. Water Conservation:

- Educate festival attendees about water conservation and encourage responsible water use- to bring reusable water containers.

5. Biodiversity and Green Spaces:

- Preserve and protect green spaces within and around the festival venue.
- Avoid damage to local flora and fauna and engage in conservation efforts where possible.

6. Education and Awareness:

- Raise awareness about environmental issues through festival programming, workshops, and signage.
- Provide information on sustainable practices and their positive impact on the environment.

7. Collaboration with Suppliers:

- Prioritize suppliers with strong environmental credentials and practices.
- Encourage vendors to adopt sustainable packaging and sourcing practices.
- Regularly assess and review supplier practices to ensure alignment with our environmental goals.

8. Continuous Improvement:

- Regularly review and update this Environmental Policy to reflect advancements in sustainable practices.
- Solicit feedback from attendees, volunteers, and stakeholders to identify areas for improvement.
- Set measurable targets and track progress toward reducing our environmental impact.

Compliance:

All festival organisers, staff, volunteers, performers, and vendors are expected to adhere to this Environmental Policy. Non-compliance may result in penalties or exclusion from future participation in Art in the Park.

Communication:

This Environmental Policy will be made publicly available on our website and shared with all stakeholders. Updates on our environmental initiatives and achievements will be communicated through various channels, including social media, press releases, and on-site signage.

By adopting and implementing this Environmental Policy, Art in the Park aims to contribute positively to the environment and inspire a collective commitment to sustainability within our community.