

Our Environmental Policy and guidelines



We have put together an easy read guide to how we can all help protect our environment— this means protecting the place we live and helping as much as we can to protect the planet.



From April 2025, there will be new legislation about waste and recycling. This means that the Law has changed.



If you live in one of our 'care homes' you <u>must</u> take note of the new laws. This is because it is a business.

However, if you live in your own home, it is still important to make sure you do all you can to help the planet.



What do we need to do?



We can turn our heating down to save energy and money.



We can turn off lights when they are not needed.



We can make sure equipment is turned off if it is not being used.



We can dry our laundry outside when the weather is good, rather than using the tumble dryer. This will help save money and energy.



It is really important to make sure that rubbish is sorted and recycled.

There are lost of things which can be recycled.

There are different bins for different things



You can recycle the following:



Newspapers, leaflets, envelopes, cereal boxes, card, and any other paper as long as it is clean.



Plastic bottles and plastic containers as long as they are clean



Empty clean cans.



You can also recycle the following, at your local tip (Household waste Site) or at some shops.



Used batteries can be dropped off at your local big supermarket—for example, Tesco and Sainsburys have drop off bins.



Empty medication blister packs can be dropped off at some branches of Superdrug.





Empty Ink cartridges can be dropped off at your local tip.



No thanks- you cannot recycle:



Shredded paper



Nail varnish bottles



Lightbulbs



No thanks- you cannot recycle:



Food and drink cartons



Pumps from plastic bottles.



Plastic toys



You can take lots of things to your local recycling centre:



Old electrical items, like old kettles and cables



Old furniture



Old clothes—or you can take these to a local charity shop.



Other things you can do to help your local environment and help the planet (and save energy and money too!)



Walk or cycle if you are able to.



Get the bus— you may be able to get a free bus pass— ask your staff to find out.



Remember- Reduce and Reuse.

There are lots of ways to make a difference.