

Aztec Event Services is committed to promoting sustainability.

Concern for the environment and promoting a broader sustainability agenda are integral to Aztec's activities and the management of the organisation.

We aim to follow and to promote good sustainability practice, to reduce the environmental impacts of all our activities and to help our clients and partners to do the same.

### **PRINCIPLES**

Our Sustainability Plan is based upon the following principles:

To comply with, or exceed where practicable, all applicable legislation, regulations and codes of practice.

To integrate sustainability considerations into all our business decisions. To ensure that all our employees are fully aware of our Sustainability Policy and their responsibilities with regard to implementing and improving it. To minimise the impact on sustainability of all office and transportation activities.

To make clients and suppliers aware of our Sustainability Policy and Sustainability Plan, and encourage them to adopt sound, sustainable management practices.

To review, annually report, and to continually strive to improve our sustainability performance.



# PRACTICAL STEPS TOWARDS OUR SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

## IN ORDER TO PUT THESE PRINCIPLES INTO PRACTICE WE WILL:

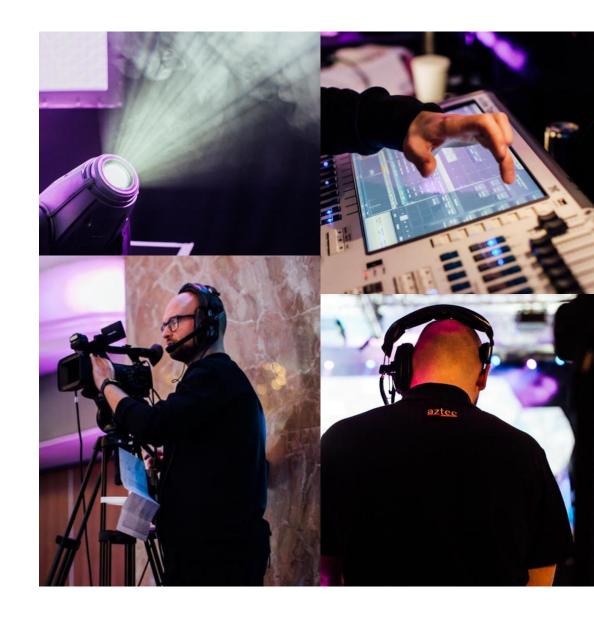
#### TRAVEL AND MEETINGS

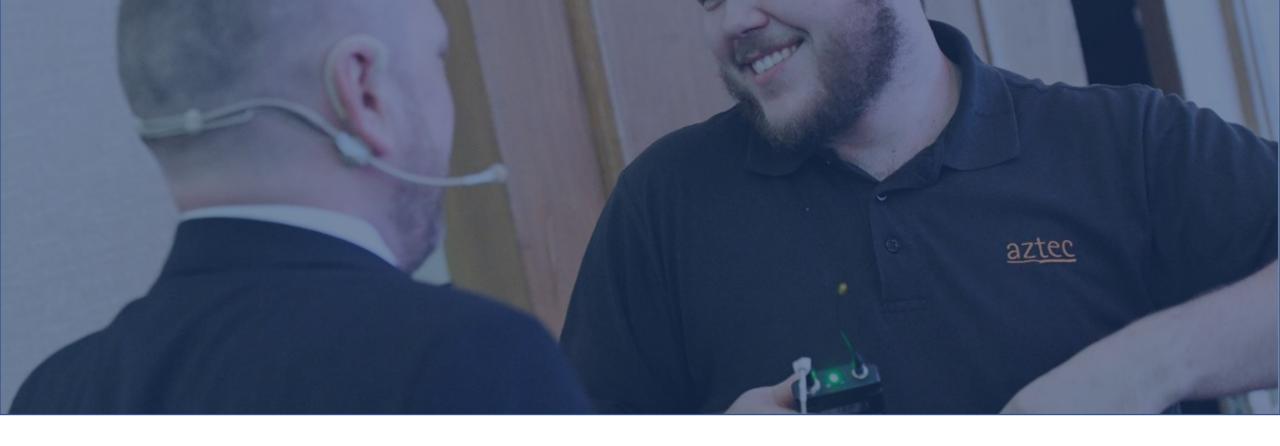
Walk, cycle and/or use public transport to attend meetings, site visits etc, apart from in exceptional circumstances where the alternatives are impractical and/or cost prohibitive.

Include the full costs of more sustainable forms of transport in our financial proposals, rather than the least cost option which may involve travelling by car or air.

Avoid physically travelling to meetings etc where alternatives are available and practical, such as using teleconferencing, video conferencing or web cams, and efficient timing of meetings to avoid multiple trips. These options are also often more time efficient, while not sacrificing the benefits of regular contact with clients and partners.

Reduce the need for our staff to travel by supporting alternative working arrangements, including home working etc, and promote the use of public transport by locating our offices in accessible locations.





#### PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND CONSUMPTION OF RESOURCES

When purchasing electrical hardware, ensure that we take into account the energy rating of the equipment and, whenever practical, select the most energy efficient equipment (taking into account use of consumables etc.). Minimise our use of paper and other office consumables, for example by double-siding all paper used, and identifying opportunities to reduce waste. As far as possible arrange for the reuse or recycling of office waste, including paper, computer supplies and redundant equipment. Reduce the energy consumption of office equipment by purchasing energy efficient equipment and good housekeeping.

Wherever possible purchase ethical, recycled and/or local products and services.

#### **WORKING PRACTICES AND ADVICE TO CLIENTS**

Ensure that we take account of sustainability issues when advising and negotiating with clients. Include a copy of our Sustainability Policy in all our proposals to clients.

#### **KNOWLEDGE IS POWER**

We will use our resources wisely!
To identify and implement opportunities to use natural and finite resources better so that we use materials more innovatively and efficiently

SOURCES OF IMPACT	OBJECTIVES	POLICIES AND TARGETS	ACTIONS	TARGET COMPLETION DATE
TRAVEL BY AZTEC STAFF	To minimise carbon emissions and other impacts by avoiding unnecessary business travel  To minimise the impact of necessary business travel by maximising the use of public transport, walking or cycling  To promote homeworking	80% of all journeys to work by staff by public transport, walking or cycling (or electric vehicles) 90% of the number of journeys and 80% of the distance of journeys by staff on company business by public transport, walking or cycling  Reduce year on year the total carbon emissions from Aztec travel  Increase the year on year the proportion of virtual meetings compared with face to face meetings by using technology such as teleconference, video conference, etc.	Establishment of Enterprise homeworking package  Distribution of Enterprise merchandise to the staff  Provision of 4 cycle stands through TfLs Take a Stand Challenge  Provision of a pamphlet information stand  Set up a salary sacrifice scheme to enable staff to purchase discount bikes and actively promote to staff  Develop a homeworking policy and provide homeworking equipment (laptops, screens etc.) for employees who can perform their roles from home  Management and monitoring of sustainable travel performance	Completed Completed Completed Completed Completed Completed HR April 2024

SOURCES OF IMPACT	OBJECTIVES	POLICIES AND TARGETS	ACTIONS	TARGET COMPLETION DATE
BUSINESS TRANSPORT	To reduce fuel consumption of vehicles  To minimise carbon footprint by using alternative fuels	All staff will drive company vehicles more efficiently to achieve 10% improvement in miles per litre  Traditional fuel consumption will drop by 80%	Train all staff to drive vehicles more economically  Purchase a bunded fuel tank and introduce biodiesel for use in all company vehicles  Install speed limiters on all company vans and trucks  Use couriers (rather than empty company vans) for smaller deliveries and hired trucks (rather than multiple vans) for volume work	Completed with regular refreshers Completed Completed Completed
PAPER	To minimise paper use  To minimise the impact of producing the paper used	Total paper consumption will not increase  All direct paper consumption will be on 100% recycled paper  50% of paper consumption through print orders will be on recycled paper  All new printers to be capable of duplex printing	Review business systems and switch to paperless systems for quoting through to invoice generation  Purchase 100% recycled paper for all general paper usage (including Aztec letterhead)  Re-use all paper so that both sides are printed on whenever possible  Recycle all waste paper and paper/card products  All toilet tissue from renewable sources	Completed  Completed  Completed  Completed  Completed

SOURCES OF IMPACT	OBJECTIVES	POLICIES AND TARGETS	ACTIONS	TARGET COMPLETION DATE
ENERGY CONSUMPTION	To minimise energy consumption  Offset energy consumption that is unavoidable by the very nature of our work	Wherever possible lighting to use low energy bulbs  All non-essential equipment to be powered off when not in use  As office equipment is replaced, purchase the most energy efficient equipment when compared with alternatives of a similar cost and performance  Reduce electricity consumption by between 10% and 20% per annum	Ensure computer equipment is set to go to standby when left for a short period and equipment turned off at night  Fit sensors/timers where appropriate and safe  Turn down thermostats and fit tamper proof thermostat locks.  Monitor electricity consumption through simple spreadsheets  Remove all portable electric heaters from office, fit individual timers to office fixed wall heaters as well as a central timer that overrides individual timer settings  Fit movement detectors to all lighting  Commission a TM44 Air Conditioning Energy Inspection	Completed Completed Completed Ongoing Operations 2024 Completed Completed Completed

SOURCES OF IMPACT	OBJECTIVES	POLICIES AND TARGETS	ACTIONS	TARGET COMPLETION DATE
WASTE GENERATION	To minimise the amount of waste generated  To maximise the proportion of waste recycled	All waste office paper and toner cartridges will be recycled  All glass, cans and plastic bottles will be recycled	Organise bins in all areas of the business premises for collection of standard recyclable products (paper, glass, tin, plastic) and combine recycling with waste collection	Completed
		All redundant office and hire equipment and other consumables (e.g. felt) will be sold, upcycled or recycled  As office equipment is replaced, purchase the most resource efficient equipment (e.g. toner waste etc) compared with alternatives of a similar cost and performance	Arrange contractor regarding collection for recycling of other products ((e.g. batteries, aerosols, hazardous products, waste electrical items etc.)  Train staff in use of recycling bins including bringing back items consumed on site for recycling (e.g. batteries)  Resell/donate all decommissioned office and hire stock equipment via charity and community recycling and upcycling routes.  All waste felt will be donated to local schools and Cubs/Brownies or community craft centres  Train staff in adopting the waste hierarchy of controls and completion of Waste Transfer Notes	Completed  Completed  Ongoing Operations April 2024  Ongoing Procurement April 2024  Ongoing Operations April 2024

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WATER USE	To minimise office water use	As equipment is replaced, purchase the most water efficient equipment when compared with alternatives of a similar cost and performance	Educate staff while training to be more "Water aware".  Fit push taps, Fit sensors/timers where appropriate.  Install "Hippos" or similar in all toilets.  All crockery in staff canteen cleaned	Completed with regular refreshers Completed  Completed  Ongoing Finance
WORKING ENVIRONMENT	To reduce the impact of emissions / toxins from office equipment	Create a healthy working environment	Purchase plants in the office  Train staff to switch off screens and other electrical equipment when not in use or not required	Completed with regular refreshers
CONSUMPTION OF OTHER PRODUCTS	To reduce the impact of beverages purchased and to support Fairtrade  To reduce the impact of products purchased (inc. product distribution distance)	Purchase ethically sound, recycled and locally sourced products whenever possible	Purchase all waste bags to be made from recycled and / or biodegradable plastic  Use re-used office equipment (e.g. recycled toners) where practical  Identify local suppliers of goods and services	Ongoing Procurement April 2024 Completed

SOURCES OF IMPACT	OBJECTIVES	POLICIES AND TARGETS	ACTIONS HOW OBJECTIVE WILL BE MEASURED	TARGET COMPLETION DATE AND BY WHOM
SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION	Staff training	Provide staff training to empower individuals to influence others	Monthly meetings are held when sustainable training is made a subject to discus	Ongoing Sustainability committee April 2024
SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS	Reduce the use of single use items	Procumbent to review incoming consumables and equipment	By reviewing the purchase each month	Ongoing Procurement April 2024
RENEWABLE ENERGY ADOPTION	Energy provider review	To ensure only 100% renewable electricity is purchased	Contract is due every two years, when this next comes up we will ensure we only use 100% renewable electracy	Ongoing Operations July 2024
WASTE REDUCTION	Zero to landfill	All generated waste is zero to landfill	Upon waste being generated all personal are made aware though communication where waste should be disposed of	Ongoing Warehouse & procurement April 2024

OUR GOAL IS TO INSPIRE STAKEHOLDERS WITHIN THE EVENTS INDUSTRY TO HEIGHTEN AWARENESS OF SUSTAINABILITY

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WE WILL CONTINUE INVESTING IN **NEW TECHNOLOGY TO SUPPORT OUR SUSTAINABILITY** PLANS WITHIN THE EVENTS INDUSTRY AND PUT **QUALITY OF SERVICE AND ECO-FRIENDLY EVENTS** ABOVE ALL ELSE. 77

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#### **CARBON REDUCTION JOURNEY**

Our strategy for carbon reduction is an internal document, designed by our employees. We want to work with our clients and supply chain to innovate and, in time, eliminate the events industry's carbon footprint. Our hope is that we all collaborate to tackle climate change.

#### **PLAN REVIEW**

The Managing Director shall review and update this Sustainability Plan whenever necessary and as a minimum will review its contents annually.

