Environmental Policy

Cancer Research UK (CR-UK) pioneers life-saving research to bring forward the day when all cancers are cured. Our goal is to save lives by preventing, controlling and curing cancer through funding world class research into all aspects of cancer, providing information, and influencing public policy. Although a challenge, we relish our work because it has the potential to have such a positive impact on our society.

Scope
This policy applies to all CR-UK employees and covers activities in the primary buildings, London Research Institute, UK wide offices and shops.

Policy Statement
Saving lives is right at the heart of everything we do: it motivates and inspires us to lead on research into cures for cancer through funding world class science. However, we acknowledge that our work has a potential impact on the environment and therefore we have a duty to ensure we proactively manage all these impacts in a responsible and ethical manner. We do this through identifying all significant environmental impacts and putting processes into place to prevent, reduce and mitigate them in an innovative and practical manner.

Environmental Aims
CR-UK complies with all applicable UK and EU Environmental laws and legislation; in relation to specific environmental aims:

- **Energy and Carbon:** CR-UK is a participant in both the Government’s Carbon Reduction Commitment Scheme and the Energy Savings Opportunities Scheme. We currently monitor and report our energy use and carbon emissions. We will create an energy management strategy to drive a programme of energy efficiency initiatives.
- **Water:** CR-UK will carry out a monitoring and benchmarking exercise over the next year (2015/2016) to understand water use and potential reduction opportunities in administration buildings and shops.
- **Construction and refurbishment:** CR-UK ensures that new buildings and refurbishment projects comply with relevant building regulations and where possible are compatible with sustainability principals and best practices such as BREEAM.
- **Travel:** CR-UK will ensure that its vehicle fleet is operated in as efficient manner as possible. All CR-UK sites are all accessible by public transport and we make available schemes to all staff to promote sustainable travel where possible.
- **Engagement and education:** CR-UK will continue to create awareness and engage staff in new initiatives to help reduce our carbon footprint.
- **Waste management:** CR-UK follows the waste hierarchy to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Recover where practically possible.

This Policy was agreed by the CR-UK Executive Board on 30 March 2015. The Policy will be reviewed annually by the Environmental Steering Group.

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