



Valley Vetcare acknowledges that our operations have an effect on the environment. We are committed to the continual improvement of our environmental performance, and have identified the following key environmental impacts associated with the provision of veterinary care:

- Consumption of water, electricity and fossil fuels
- Waste production and disposal
- Use of volatile anaesthetic agents and cytotoxic chemicals

Our policy is to comply with and exceed all relevant regulatory requirements. We are committed to working with our staff, clients and suppliers to achieve the following objectives:

- Reduce energy consumption by switching off electrical devices when not in use, and considering the energy efficiency of new equipment when purchasing
- Minimise landfill and incinerated waste by practicing appropriate waste segregation and recycling
- Source recycled or recyclable office supplies and packaging wherever possible
- Provide support to our clients on responsible preventative care strategies
- Promote and accept return of unused or out-of-date animal medicines for appropriate disposal
- Review general anaesthetic plans to minimise use of inhaled halogen agents, and ensure appropriate scavenging
- Use environmentally friendly cleaning supplies and chemicals where possible
- Conduct regular reviews of environmental impact and policy, involving the whole team through suggestions and training

This environmental policy will be available to view at all times, and is available to members of the public on our website, www.valleyvetcare.co.uk. We welcome ideas and questions from clients.

The implementation of this policy is the responsibility of management and a shared responsibility with all employees. Helen Clark is the nominated Sustainability Champion responsible for day-to-day implementation of the policy.