

Brixton and Yealmpton Parish Councils

Environmental Policy

The involvement of Brixton Parish Council has an effect on its local environment. It is responsible for delivering and organising services that are directly concerned with protecting and enhancing our environment. In addition, the Council affects the environment both as a local purchaser of goods and services.

Sustainability is a core objective of the Council. It is firmly committed to keeping its small part of the South Hams a very special place both through its own activities and through co-operation and consultation with others.

In all its involvement the Council will seek to:-

- promote the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources
- minimise environmental pollution and waste in all of its own activities and encourage the conservation, reuse and appropriate recycling of resources
- seek to eliminate the unnecessary use of energy
- reduce the need for movement of people by satisfying local needs using local resources and encouraging walking, cycling and public transport
- work in partnership with other organisations to promote the health of the South Hams both ecologically and physically
- progressively build environmental concerns and sustainability into all its policies
- promote understanding and participation in environmental issues throughout the Parish through education, information and consultation

In order to achieve this, the Parish Council will:-

- operate an environmental system that co-ordinates work affecting the environment
- review local environmental indicators, such as water quality and waste recycling
- enforce regulations designed to protect the environment, as applicable
- give advice to local business and industry on environmental issues
- adopt practices that minimise the effects the Council has on the environment
- educate in respect of its environmental policies and objectives as applicable
- involve the local community and local groups and encourage local action in support of the environment