

Fermanagh Enterprise Ltd Environmental Policy

Introduction

Fermanagh Enterprise Ltd (FEL) is an Enniskillen based Social Enterprise involved in the promotion of enterprise and self-employment throughout County Fermanagh. Established in 1985, the Organisation provides free business advice, mentoring and support to individuals wishing to set up in business. In addition, the Company rents custom-built workspace suited to the needs of small businesses. This encompasses over 140 offices and industrial units in four locations in Enniskillen.

FEL is run by a Board of voluntary Directors and has a staff of 10.

Environmental Policy

Science, governments and experts have well documented and accepted evidence that climate change is already causing severe harm to societies and economies on a global scale. Average temperatures have risen by one degree centigrade since pre-industrial levels, attributed to production of greenhouse gases as a result of our industrialised lives. To reduce the risk of crossing irreversible tipping points, we are advised that the most important goal today for humanity is to stabilise the global climate rise at 1.5 degrees centigrade. To achieve this, global greenhouse gases emissions should be halved by 2030 from a 2023 baseline and reach near zero by 2050.

FEL as a charitable Organisation, constituted to promote public benefit, acknowledges its leadership role in the promotion of best practice in business operations. The Organisation recognises its corporate responsibilities to manage and minimise the impact of its activities on the environment, in particular, waste management and recycling, energy consumption, transport and travel, pollution, water use and protecting and enhancing biodiversity.

The Organisation is committed to:

- Ensuring compliance with relevant environmental legislation.
- Communicating our environmental policy to employees and providing appropriate training.
- Transparency - making environmental policies and progress publicly available.
- Maximising energy efficiency.
- Commission tech help to measure baseline CO₂ output for scope 1 and 2 emissions.
- Reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions to achieve a 50% reduction in our scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions from a 2023 baseline by 2030 as a first step towards net zero by 2050.
- Working towards measuring and reporting scope 3 emissions.
- Taking action to influence and reduce value chain scope 3 emissions.
- Setting targets to achieve maximum impact.
- Maximise recycling and minimise waste.
- Assessing and improving our impact on nature.
- Working towards influencing the net zero ambition in wider society.
- Review and continual improvement of environmental policy and actions.
- Gain and maintain independent verification through the ISO 14001 Standard.