

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY**

Approved by the Board: 1st November 2024

Review Date: On or before 1st November 2025

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY STATEMENT**

The Board of Kerry Writers' Museum and the Executive Director are committed to reducing the impact of the organisation's activities on the environment. The organisation will strive to improve its environmental performance in all areas of operation, reflecting our corporate strategy outcome that our work contributes to climate change mitigation and biodiversity conservation.

To demonstrate our commitment to environmental sustainability, we will:

- Meet all relevant current and foreseen statutory regulations, government policy and official codes of practice;
- Follow environmental and sustainable principles, best practice and guidance in relation to collections care and management;
- Reduce our carbon emissions through implementation of a carbon action plan;
- Ensure the efficient use of energy and water resources and reduction in waste through re-use and recycling where possible;
- Encourage all staff to be more environmentally conscious and socially responsible;
- Promote biodiversity by organising events as part of our cultural programming
- Seek to realise the potential of our collections as a means to address key questions around climate change and biodiversity conservation;
- Work with partners and engage with visitors to raise awareness about protection and enhancement of the environment;
- Promote sustainable modes of transport including walking, use of public transport, carsharing and cycling;
- Ensure that sustainability is built into all new projects, venue planning and activities;
- Operate in a responsible and co-operative manner to work with local suppliers and contractors to source local products;
- Work with our onsite partners to reduce their environmental impact and encourage participation in joint initiatives to promote environmental sustainability;
- Encourage suppliers and contractors, through appropriate specifications, to develop and supply environmentally preferable goods and services.

Review: Kerry Writers' Museum will review delivery of these commitments on an annual basis.

Signed:

David Browne

Chairperson

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