



## *ILA-WALES CIC: Iberians & Latin Americans in Wales*

# Sustainability Policy

## Introduction

ILA-WALES CIC recognises that our work may have a direct or indirect effect on the local, regional and global environment.

We are committed to reducing any harmful effects on the environment and promoting the understanding of sustainability in its broadest context. To this end, we will participate in the Swansea Environment Centre's Climate Awareness Project, starting in 2023.

## Specific Commitments

### Purchases and Supply

- Wherever possible purchases will be from locally manufactured or available products and services.
- Ensure that all purchases of paper are of those that contain a significant proportion of recycled material.
- All cleaning products purchased will be as environmentally-friendly as possible. Preference will be given to pump action (re-usable) aerosols and non-spray products.

### Transport

- Work towards reducing fuel consumption by vehicle sharing, combining journeys, good planning and regular maintenance of vehicles.

### Recycling

- We will adopt a basic strategy of **reduce, reuse and recycle**.
- We will ensure that as much of its waste as possible is recycled and recognises that sorting of its waste is a critical factor in achieving this.

### Energy

We will seek to minimise power consumption by:

- All new electrical items to be purchased on the basis of their energy efficiency where possible.
- Lighting and other equipment to be switched off when not in use.



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### **Projects**

As many of ILA-WALES CIC Projects as possible will involve the use of recycled materials and awareness-raising of environmental issues.

### **Monitoring**

We will monitor the application of this policy on an annual basis to ensure that its practices comply with the requirements of the Policy. In due course we will consider setting specific targets by which performance against this policy can be more closely monitored and evaluated.

### **Promotion**

All members will be made aware of the content of this policy and its requirements.

The Sustainability policy will be reviewed annually.

**Policy Adopted on: 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**Signed: *Patricia RM Jones* (Safeguarding Champion & Director of Heritage & Communication)**