



## **Environmental Policy**

Corn Close Care Farm recognises that many actions by humans are having a major impact on the environment: habitat destruction; pollution; pressures of growing populations. These factors are leading to many critical problems such as deforestation, flooding and loss of habitat resulting in the extinction of many species.

Corn Close Care Farm recognises that these problems exist in our own local area as well as globally and that we can act in a way which mitigates and improves the situation.

Everyone who is involved with Corn Close Care Farm believes that is important to protect the environment as damage will have a detrimental effect on those who visit our Care Farm and all the animals that live here and in the surrounding locality.

All our actions impact the environment and therefore it is important we minimize these effects whenever possible in order to protect and enhance the world we live in.

We aim to continually improve our environmental performance by:

- monitoring progress against our targets and objectives on a regular basis
- preventing pollution and reducing our impact on the environment
- complying with relevant environmental legislation

In order to make our policy work we will try our best to meet the following criteria:

We will constantly try to find new and improved ways to reduce our environmental impact. For example:

- Efficient use of water and energy
- Efficient use of other natural resource
- Recycling
- Minimising waste
- Sustainable transport
- Responsible purchasing
- Minimising noise disturbance
- Use of non-toxic products (e.g. biodegradable cleaning products and VOC-free paints)
- Working with clients and suppliers to encourage high environmental standards.
- Raising awareness and training employees on environmental issue

We will continue to be aware of the need to preserve a healthy environment, through looking at all of our past, current and any future operations and assessing their environmental impact with a view to improve on any areas that we are able to.

We will aim to communicate this ethos to staff and volunteers and to our visitors, their families and our suppliers and supporters.

All employees, volunteers and visitors will be encouraged to be proactive in the maintenance and further development of our environmental policy and aspirations.

We will try whenever possible to invest in energy saving projects and consider renewable and other activities to reduce our energy consumption and carbon footprint.

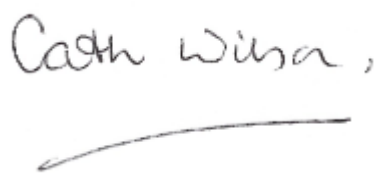
We will make efforts to reduce our waste through discussion with suppliers, investigate recycling and composting and avoid using non-biodegradable plastics where possible.

We will highlight the importance of nature conservation through education, and particularly aim this at young people.

We will try our best to conserve and enhance biodiversity wherever practicable or required, through efficient and effective practices.

As a communicator of knowledge about the animal life of the world and about the threats and challenges that the natural world is facing, we will increase interest in and understanding of the world of animals and plants and we aim to inspire a genuine love of and concern for the natural world.

This policy will be reviewed regularly to ensure we are complying and to help us continuously improve our environmental performance.

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