

Environmental Policy

Milton Keynes Veterinary Group (MKVG) consists of an RCVS accredited veterinary hospital and four branch surgeries, and specialises in small animal care. At Milton Keynes Veterinary Group we strive to provide quality, affordable care to help pets achieve the best health possible. Our primary focus is the care of our clients' pets, delivering a friendly, helpful service where 'pets are family'. We acknowledge that our operations have an effect on the environment and have identified our key environmental aspects that contribute to our environmental and carbon footprint:

- Consumption of electricity, gas, water, and other fuels
- Use of anaesthetic gases
- Waste generation
- Transport emissions
- Use of raw materials, including prescribed drugs and medicines
- Procured goods and services with their own environmental impact

Milton Keynes Veterinary Group is committed to reducing its environmental impact through a journey of continual improvement by working through the Investors in the Environment accreditation scheme. As an RCVS accredited veterinary hospital we constantly review and upgrade our facilities and equipment to maintain the high quality health care we provide for pets in the region, and a safe and healthy work environment for our employees.

Our environmental commitment can be demonstrated in our established objectives and goals below:

- Compliance with all applicable environmental regulations and public/customer expectations
- Monitoring our key resource usage and implementing conservation techniques to achieve our environmental targets
- Reducing scope 1 and 2 emissions by 50% from our baseline year
- Implementing sustainable waste/recycling and procurement policies, and following the waste hierarchy
- Take part in a One Health sustainability project with our staff
- Working with suppliers to ensure they acknowledge and decrease the environmental impact of their products
- Publishing and distribution of an annual organisational sustainability report

We will continue to improve our environmental management system by working to the Investors in the Environment (iE) criteria, considering any changes in legislation, our organisation, and other factors. We will convey this policy to all our employees ensuring that they are provided with training to increase awareness of environmental matters.

Rachel Church, Veterinary Surgeon is our Sustainability Champion and has designated responsibility for the day-to-day implementation of this policy.

Milton Keynes Veterinary Group will make this policy available when requested to interested parties including members of the public. A copy will be made available on the Milton Keynes Veterinary Group website.

Signed: 

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