

Annual Sustainability Report for 2025:

Milton Keynes Veterinary Group enrolled with Investors in the Environment in March 2022 to improve our sustainability as a practice, and focus on reducing our environmental impact whilst providing high level care for our patients.



We are a passionate team, determined to reduce our environmental impact while maintaining our current high standard of care. In July 2025 we achieved Green Level accreditation with Investors in the Environment. This is testament to the hard work from the whole team.

We have continued to embed our sustainability policies across all five sites, emphasising water free hand disinfection and sterilisation, moving to paper-free accounting and laminated hospital sheets, a red/green sticker system for electrical items, and encouraging switch off for lights and monitors at the end of a shift. We email consent forms to clients to print ahead of their procedure, and encourage double sided printing.

We have worked hard to procure more recyclable items such as syringe/needle/autoclave packaging. We offer fabric scrub hats to all our staff and continue to encourage recycling within our practice with useful bin signage to support this. We monitor the bin capacity for general and recyclable waste at all sites, with consistently more recycling being collected in comparison to general waste.

At our audit in July 2025 we analysed normalised figures for the usage for 2024, taking into account any changes to our workload.

We monitor our resource usage for electricity (2% reduction compared to 2024), gas (14% increase from 2024), water (4% reduction), anaesthetic gases (5.8% reduction), travel (46% reduction) and paper (no change). Using the iE carbon calculator, our total CO₂e for 2024 was 69.13. In 2025 our total CO₂e was 54.31. We monitor our resource usage monthly and compare to the same month in 2024 allowing us to spot and investigate any changes more rapidly.

We have undertaken various environmental projects in 2025 with community tree planting, a step challenge, wildflower seed planting, and Giving Tuesday in which donations to a local food bank were collected from staff members. We also encouraged our clients to bring in kitten food for the local cat rescue centre.

Early 2026 has seen the introduction of an anaesthetic gas capture system at our Willen branch which ensures a marked reduction in the environmental impact from the use of anaesthetic gases.

We continue to strive to further improve our sustainability as a practice, continually looking at new ideas to support this whilst providing high quality veterinary care for our patients.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andre Cilliers'.

Andre Cilliers
24th April 2026