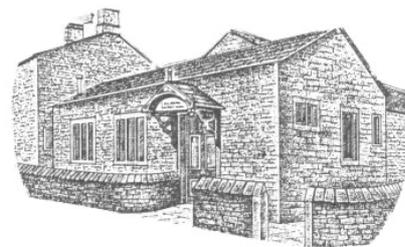


Kelbrook & Sough Village Hall



Environmental Policy – Issue 1 – 22nd February 2026

1.0 Introduction

Kelbrook and Sough Village Hall Management Committee is committed to protecting and actively promoting the improvement of the local environment.

2.0 Actions to reduce the Hall's environmental impact

- a) Make the most efficient use of energy. It will endeavour to use the minimum quantities of energy for the necessary lighting and heating of the Hall. These measures are defined in the Hall's development plan and include such items as the fitment of solar panels and LED bulbs, both, of which, have been implemented. It will monitor and review consumption of gas, electricity and water and eliminate excessive or unnecessary use. It will communicate to all users of the Hall ways in which energy may be conserved, e.g. closing external doors & windows.
- b) Minimise and where possible eliminate all forms of pollution using biodegradable chemicals where possible and minimising the use of solvents.
- c) Minimise noise pollution. All users will be reminded of their responsibility to the local community within the hire agreement and encouraged to avoid creating noise pollution especially at night.
- d) Use the minimum quantity of water possible necessary for the activities taking place and ensure that the water it uses is both supplied and disposed of, in the purest condition possible, meeting statutory requirements. It will minimise leakage and eliminate excessive or unnecessary use, e.g. through the fitment push taps and the unnecessary flushing of urinals when the Hall is not in use. It will communicate to all users the need to conserve water, e.g. turning off taps after use.
- e) Avoid waste and encourage the appropriate conservation by the re-use and recycling of resources and waste. Where recycling of waste is not possible disposal by be by a means having the least impact on the

environment and conforming to statutory requirements. It will encourage all users to minimise waste, including the recycling of glass, paper and metal.

- f) It will ensure that the potential environmental impact of any building projects is considered and minimised. This will include, where possible, using methods of construction which make the best use of resources, designs which result in low maintenance and high energy efficiency. Building materials used will, where possible, come from sustainable sources.
- g) Promote a sense of responsibility and understanding for the environment and its issues by raising users' awareness by the provision of information and consultation with the local community.
- h) It will, wherever possible, purchase goods from local or regional suppliers, in order to benefit the local community and minimise the impact from transportation, including CO₂ emissions.
- i) Protect the health and well-being of all users and visitors, maintain and improve the buildings and infrastructure to the highest possible standard thus safeguarding the resources which make up Kelbrook & Sough Village Hall.

2.0 Monitoring and Review

Kelbrook and Sough Village Hall Management Committee will monitor, review and where possible improve performance each year with positive action on any areas of noncompliance.