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## Ref: 10 Environmental Policy

### Policy Statement

**HWPC** aims to discharge all its obligations with environmental efficiency. We will seek to protect and enhance the local environment and biodiversity within our parish and we will endeavour to avoid any adverse environmental impact as a result of our work.

For all our activities we will consider the impact on both climate change and biodiversity issues and we will try to introduce measures that either mitigate negative outcomes or actively promote positive ones, where this is practical and affordable within our resources.

### SPECIFIC AIMS

**HWPC** will, on an ongoing and regular basis:

- ✓ Consider the environmental impact of operating our assets and minimise the consumption of resources used, particularly in the buildings, equipment and administrative activities.
- ✓ Seek, wherever possible, to use only contractors and suppliers who are able to demonstrate their own ongoing commitment to environmental issues.
- ✓ Support, wherever practical and affordable, local initiatives designed to support climate change and biodiversity protection or improvement.
- ✓ Avoid the creation of unnecessary waste, including re-using and recycling materials whenever practical and disposing of necessary waste appropriately.
- ✓ Regularly keep under review the possible use of sustainable energy resources.
- ✓ Encourage contractors, suppliers, Members and residents to all take responsibility for ensuring that they adhere to currently perceived best practice in the protection of our environment.