

Abbey House Veterinary Hospital is a small animal veterinary practice which provides all aspects of veterinary care, including first opinion and referral services. At Abbey House we set our own very high standards which are authenticated by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) inspection where we reached the highest tier 3 accreditation at the hospital in Morley. Abbey House Veterinary Hospital recognises that all industries impact on the environment in different ways including air (anaesthetic emissions) and water emissions, use of raw materials and waste generation.

We acknowledge that our operations have an effect on the environment and our ambition is to continually improve by:

- Accessing sustainability-focused forums and training
- Monitoring key resources such as electricity, gas, water, anaesthetic gases and transport, and setting reduction targets
- Calculating a Scope 1, 2 and partial Scope 3 carbon footprint, and setting an annual reduction target
- Using sustainability performance metrics to drive change
- Supporting sustainable transport options and healthy lifestyles for our Associates
- Carrying out One Health projects
- Improved resource management including sustainable procurement choices and waste management plans
- Providing our clients support on responsible preventative care strategies
- Accepting returns of unused or out-of-date veterinary medicines to our practices
- Being compliant with applicable environmental regulations and meeting our clients' expectations.

Abbey House Veterinary Hospital is committed to reducing their environmental impact through a journey of continual improvement by working through the Investors in the Environment accreditation scheme. Our practice is registered on the iE Green Directory. Vicky Lewis is our Sustainability Lead and has designated responsibility for the day-to-day implementation of this policy.

We communicate this policy to our Associates, ensuring that they are provided with training to increase awareness of environmental matters and opportunities to make changes. We make this policy available to our clients through our practice website and we welcome ideas or questions from clients via our Client Care teams.

For further questions on Linnaeus Sustainability, please contact sustainability@linnaeusgroup.co.uk or go to the website at <https://www.linnaeusgroup.co.uk/about-us/sustainability> for more information.

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