

## **INTRODUCTION**

The policy has been produced to endorse the College's commitment to promote environmental issues as a fundamental element of its activities and to demonstrate its commitment to continual improvement in environmental practices. The College recognises that it can contribute towards the conservation and protection of the environment and has resolved to improve its own environmental practices and to promote awareness of environmental responsibilities among staff and students. This is to be achieved through the following policy aims and objectives.

## <u>AIMS</u>

- 1. To improve awareness and understanding of environmental issues and sustainable development in the College.
- 2. To encourage all staff and students to be active participants in environmental initiatives.
- 3. To improve the way the College manages its own environment.
- 4. To promote sustainable citizenship and ecological awareness through sustainable development education within the curriculum and to promote opportunities for linking sustainable development agendas in the curriculum to the 'greening' of College operations.
- 5. To work with the local community, public and private sector organisations and take a lead role in improving and protecting the local environment and promoting sustainable development.

## **OBJECTIVES**

All objectives are subject to practical and financial considerations and will be secondary to our fulfilling learner needs and key education functions.

## 1. Environmental Awareness

- a) To promote the concept of sustainable development and individual accountability amongst staff and students.
- b) To conserve resources through a college-wide education programme.
- c) To identify and promote opportunities for staff training in environmental matters.

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