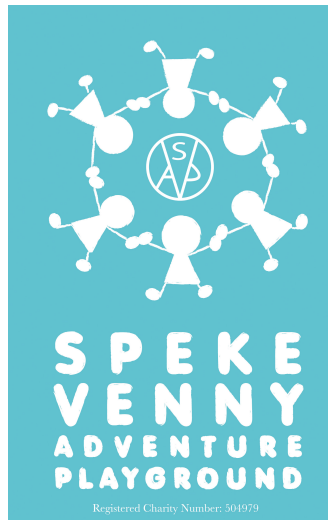


# Environment Policy



## Statement of intent

We recognise that our day-to-day activities impact on the environment in ways, which are positive and negative. Throughout our work we will actively seek to minimise the negative impact of our activities upon the environment.

Children and young people using the Project will be actively involved in the development and implementation of the Policy. A culture of respect and responsibility towards our environment and natural resources will be cultivated.

All appropriate legislation will be complied with and the Policy amended to take account of new legislation.

## Aims

In order to act responsibly, and to ensure that the Project develops an appropriate and respectful stance towards environmental issues, we will work towards:

- ❖ The use of appropriate low energy light sources where possible
- ❖ *The separation of waste and recycling wherever possible: Tins/ cans/paper/ card/plastics/ glass*
- ❖ *The use of recycled paper products (art paper, toilets rolls etc).*
- ❖ *The reusing of timber in construction, wherever possible.*
- ❖ *The use of water based, low solvent paint for decorating.*
- ❖ *The repair of equipment rather than replacement.*
- ❖ *Aim that all computers use low radiation screens.*
- ❖ Maximising the use of scrounged materials
- ❖ Considering most appropriate means of disposal for every form of waste produced
- ❖ Addressing environmental issues within team meetings
- ❖ Developing an information base to inform further action
- ❖ The use of public transport wherever possible. When motor vehicles are used maximising number of occupants/minimising the number of trips.
- ❖ All materials used on the Project should be considered in terms of impact on the environment in terms of usage and eventual disposal.
- ❖ Heating boilers will be regularly serviced to ensure efficiency.
- ❖ *Turn lights off when not needed*
- ❖ Maximising the use of scrounged materials
- ❖ Ensuring all timber is purchased from suppliers using sustainable sources.
- ❖ Developing project work around the environment and conservation issues



- ❖ Using local suppliers of materials wherever practicable (to minimise the environmental costs of transport)
- ❖ The sharing of equipment and resources wherever practicable
- ❖ The use of environmentally friendly cleaning materials

The Project will monitor its work and its outcomes and seek to further improve its practice.

All members of the organisation will adhere to this policy.

