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**Environment Policy**

The Parish Council will support the long-term environmental, cultural and economic health and vitality of the Parish.

The Parish Council will promote a high-quality environment in the Parish that is vibrant, safe, healthy and inclusive.

The Parish Council is firmly committed to keeping Castle Donington Parish a very special place through its own activities and through co-operation and consultation with others.

**In all its involvement the Parish Council will seek to:**

* protect and enhance the special landscape of the Parish and to enhance the quality of the built and heritage features
* promote the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources
* protect the valued green spaces in the Parish, including the Common Land, and opportunities for recreation including sports and children’s play
* minimize environmental pollution and waste in all of its own activities and encourage the conservation, reuse, and appropriate recycling of resources
* seek to eliminate the unnecessary use of energy
* reduce the need for movement of people by satisfying local needs using local resources and encouraging walking, cycling and public transport
* work in partnership with other organisations to promote the health of Castle Donington Parish both ecologically and physically
* progressively build environmental concerns and sustainability into all its policies
* promote understanding and participation in environmental issues throughout the Parish through education, information and consultation

**In order to achieve this, the Parish Council will**:

* operate an environmental system that co-ordinates work affecting the environment
* work with the relevant bodies to review local environmental indicators, such as noise and light pollution, littering and fly tipping and waste recycling
* work with the relevant bodies to enforce regulations designed to protect the environment
* work with the relevant bodies to give advice to local business and industry on environmental issues
* adopt practices that minimize the effects the Council has on the environment eg.  reduce, reuse, recycle
* educate in respect of its environmental policies and objectives by working with the relevant bodies
* involve the local community and local groups and encourage local action in support of the environment

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