

## **Ludgvan Parish Council**

### **Sustainable Development Policy**

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Through the actions and behaviour of Ludgvan Parish Council, we aim to promote the three aspects of sustainable development: social; environmental and economic; whilst maintaining the character of the parish and without causing detriment.

The key areas where the Parish Council can influence a sustainable outcome are:

- Making reference to sustainable outcomes in responses to planning application consultations
- Through the events that take place on Parish Council property; and
- Through the procurement of consumables, equipment and materials.

#### **Planning**

Noting that planning applications are decided by Cornwall Council as the Local Planning Authority, it is possible for the Parish Council to recommend that all developments (large and small) are designed and built with sustainability in mind. Where possible, properties should include provision for high sustainability targets in line with the [Government's 25 year Environmental Plan](#) that aspires towards a low carbon lifestyle.

#### **Sustainable event management**

Events that take place on Parish Council property, or organised or supported by the Parish Council, should follow a sustainability code that reduces the use of single-use items, such as plastic cups and packaging, and promote the use of re-usable or compostable packaging.

#### **Procurement**

We will ensure that all materials procured on behalf of the Parish Council have a regard to their environmental impact, and promotes ethical and sustainable sourcing where possible. Materials shall be selected with their end of life disposal options being the most sustainable, with re-use being the more preferred option.