

# Canterbury Lawn Tennis Club Ltd

## Environmental Sustainability Policy

Canterbury Tennis Club endorses and encourages members to consider ways to be more environmentally friendly, by:

1. **Eliminate** - Avoiding producing waste in the first place
2. **Reduce** - Minimising the amount of waste produced
3. **Re-Use** – Using items as many times as possible
4. **Recycle** - Recycling what you can only after you have re-used it.
5. **Dispose** - Disposing of what's left in a responsible way.

Canterbury Tennis Club is committed to engaging stakeholders in environmental sustainability and fostering a sense of community around sustainability. Canterbury Tennis Club sets out to inspire positive change and promote a greener future.

### Section 1 - Materials and Resources

1. A recycling bin has been installed in the pavilion. Signage encourages members and visitors to recycle waste where possible.
2. At present CLTC is provided with household products and consumables by Polo Farm. The tennis club supports Polo Farm's desire to buy products manufactured from recycled waste wherever possible.
3. CLTC minimises printing leaflets, posters, etc, and more commonly creates digital versions that can be shared through social media.
4. Emails and documents are not routinely printed. Instead they are retained on hard drives, including the Polo Farm server and CLTC Teams software.
5. All correspondence with members is by email rather than hard copy mail.
6. The club promotes the use of ceramic/glass crockery at events, wherever possible. If the club needs to use disposable plates/cutlery at an event, the club will buy cardboard, not plastic.
7. Members are encouraged to use re-fillable bottles for their on-court drinks. To be actioned: an outdoor drinking tap will be installed when the pavilion is extended.

### Section 2 - Managing Waste

1. Where cost effective, every effort will be made to recycle waste, such as cardboard, glass, paper and plastics.
2. The tennis club includes energy efficiency as a consideration in the purchasing of electronic equipment, where possible.
3. Hazardous items, such as oils, chemicals, fluorescent tubes, batteries etc, and electrical items will be disposed of properly and not simply dumped in the bin.

### Section 3 - Energy Use

1. The tennis court floodlights use LED energy efficient lighting.
2. Signage encourages members to turn off lights when they leave the courts/pavilion.
3. Pathway lighting is powered by solar energy.

### Section 4 – Re-use and Repair

1. The committee is committed to repairing or up-cycling broken furniture, where possible.
2. Alternate homes are found for any unwanted furniture/equipment, where possible.
3. Items are thrown away as a last resort.

## **Section 5 - Water Use**

1. The tennis club will turn off or repair dripping taps, as soon as possible.
2. The tennis club has installed a water butt for garden water.

## **Section 6 –Wildlife and Nature Conservation**

1. The tennis club accepts it has a responsibility to ensure the tennis facilities are managed responsibly so that they avoid causing environmental harm and avoid pollution from inappropriate use of chemicals, fuels, green waste and lighting etc.
2. The tennis club looks to encourage biodiversity and environmental quality eg. By installing bug and insect hotels.
3. The tennis club is mindful of the need to create good quality spaces around the courts for nature, eg. by planting indigenous meadow seed in the flowerbeds.
4. The tennis club is mindful of the need that such spaces should be shared respectfully by tennis club members and visitors, for their own enjoyment and engagement with the natural world.
5. The tennis club is committed to working with our landlords, Polo Farm, to improve the biodiversity of the Polo Farm site as a whole.

## **Section 7 – Transport**

1. The tennis club encourages teams to travel together (where possible) to away matches.
2. Cycle racks are provided on site.
3. There is a bus stop right outside Polo Farm that enables members to avail themselves of public transport.