

# THE GREEN

## CUMBRIA

### OUR ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY POLICY – July 2022

The Green Cumbria consists of 3 luxurious self-contained holiday cottages sitting within a large converted Victorian barn at the foot of the Howgill Fell's in Ravenstonedale.

Inspired by nature and country luxury with a rustic feel The Haystore, Byre and Carhouse are perfectly positioned to explore the Lake District, Yorkshire Dales and Eden Valley.

Each property showcases its own original features and provides a cosy and laid-back space with a homely & authentic feel. Renovated to the highest standards the exceptional internal styling by owner Carly has been inspired by nature's textures and colours to offer a relaxed, spacious and luxurious feel throughout.

As part of our commitment to make The Green Cumbria a sustainable holiday destination we have been working towards the Green Tourism Business Scheme since May 2022. We recognise that due to the nature of our business there may be some negative environmental impact, but by conducting our business in a responsible and thoughtful manner we can maintain and even improve our social, environmental and economic impact.

#### **Our sustainability commitment:**

To comply with relevant environmental legislation and commit to the concept of continuous improvement in relation to our environmental impact and sustainable development.

We strive to work with the community where possible and particularly with local businesses who share the same enthusiasm for promoting quality in the local area. We are committed to offering local produce in our welcome packs.

Where opportunities arise we will help to support and participate in environmentally focused projects in our community.

We strive to improve our guests experience and education of the environment and countryside area in which we are based. We offer guided walks to guests with a qualified guide who can educate and inform about local wildlife and green initiatives.

We will continually investigate measures that reduce energy consumption and make regular and significant investments in renewable technologies such as solar photovoltaic panels, ground source heat pumps and biomass. Where grid electricity is used we will purchase a tariff that includes a high % of renewable energy. We aim to be “off-grid” and away from fossil fuels by 2027.



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We aim to reduce the amount of waste going to landfill and actively encourage recycling. We REDUCE – REUSE – RECYCLE whenever possible.

New appliances, lighting and any other similar fittings that are renewed / replaced will be super-efficient (LED / A+ or similar) wherever possible.

We will continually strive to prevent pollution and emissions and encourage visitors and staff to walk, cycle or use public transport rather than cars where possible. We offer free pick up from the local train station and will soon be able to provide bikes and walking boots for guests to borrow. EV charging is also planned.

We will promote biodiversity to our guests, have a range of guide books and spotter guides available and promote nature-related attractions and days out.

As far as possible, we will use environmentally friendly cleaning materials and kitchen products such as sugar cane cling film, paper sandwich bags and kitchen cloths, sponges and brushes which are made from recycled or biodegradable materials. We will continually aim to increase our ethical purchasing on other consumable items.

We will actively seek green focused feedback from guests which can help us identify areas of success and improvement.

Overall, we will endeavour to research and implement more ways to be kinder to the planet and run our business with the environment in mind.



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