# **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

# FRIENDS OF CENTENARY & WEST END PARKS

### 1. MISSION STATEMENT

We are committed to provide a safe and sustainable environment within our parks through partnership with the local authority, private sector and individuals to encourage leisure and recreation activities and to promoting a positive attitude to environmental issues

## 2. AIMS

Our aim is to provide appropriate facilities within the parks, which will provide for all sections of the community.

We will encourage more usage of the open space; therefore providing an avenue to promoting improvement to health and well being in our community.

We will encourage younger members of the community to become involved in our projects with a view to educating /promoting an interest in the environment.

We will work with our partners to ensure a strong emphasis on good environmental practice and management.

We will actively encourage people to consider environmental best practice when they have an involvement with the park.

Where it is for the protection of the environment, we will encourage the promotion of biological diversity through the provision, conservation, restoration or enhancement of a natural habitat

#### 3. OBJECTIVES

We will encourage and promote the use of sustainable and recycled products, when developing and maintaining the park infrastructure

We will encourage best practice in minimising waste within the park.

We will require all waste materials to be disposed of in a safe and responsible manner, with an emphasis on recycling where practicable.

All improvements within the park will require to be in accordance with all relevant environmental legislation promoting the use of environmental friendly products.

We will encourage respect for our park environment and best practice in restricting litter by the users of the parks.

## 4. ACHIEVING OUR OBJECTIVES

- (i) The group will appoint a member of committee to work with our partners, contractors and visitors to ensure:
  - The environmental policy is publicised.
  - The policy is implemented and adhered to.
  - The policy is monitored and improved through self-evaluation.
  - Reports are submitted to the committee/public at our open meetings.
- (ii) Projects carried out within the parks
  - Will include the promotion of the use of environmentally friendly products and practices to minimise the impact on the park environment.
  - Have, where practicable, an element of information on the environmental policies adopted to reassure persons of the environmental management and try to influence good environmental practice.
  - Actively promote, where practical, the most environmentally friendly solution to the purchase of materials and appointment of contractors.

## (iii) Implementation

All members of the group will be required to take into consideration the environmental policy and ensure adoption and implementation of this policy, where practical, in all aspects of our work

Certified as a true copy of the environmental policy as adopted at the Annual General Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at Rochsolloch Primary School, Airdrie.

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