

Prostate Cancer Research's Environmental Policy Statement

Prostate Cancer Research (PCR) recognises its responsibility to reduce its carbon and environmental footprints and formally commits itself to be an environmentally responsible charity. It recognises that in partnership with the wider community, both public and professional, the quality of life in the long term is dependent on the health and quality of the local and global environment.

PCR actively commits itself to the following environmentally responsible processes:

1. PCR activities are to be designed wherever possible to reduce any adverse impact on the environment and to use resources efficiently e.g. ensuring lights, computers, printers are switched off when not in use.
2. PCR will encourage all staff to be aware of, promote and maintain an environmentally friendly, sustainable approach to service delivery when purchasing goods and services for the organisation.

This includes; ensuring products, materials and energy purchased have been produced in ways which do not harm the environment or lessen the environmental impact.

3. The recycling, repairing and reusing of products utilised on a day to day basis throughout the organisation is integral to the organisation's environmental approach as demonstrated by:
 - Large quantities of confidential papers collected by approved operatives who shred and dispose appropriately
 - Recycling of printer consumables
 - Recycling of small electrical appliances
4. All staff are required to reduce unnecessary travel and ensure necessary transport is as sustainable as possible.
5. Through Health and Safety representatives, PCR will seek to raise the awareness of all staff on environmental issues. We will promote best practice for addressing environmental issues in everyday life and work, and encourage wherever possible staff and service users to make healthier and less resource intensive lifestyles choices.

This environmental policy statement shall be reviewed annually.