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## OUR ONLY WORLD

### SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

#### Mission statement

*To inspire and raise awareness of our fight against marine plastic pollution and its effect on our only world.*

Our Only World's aim is to protect our marine environment. Not only for the enjoyment of future generations but for our economy in tourism, fishing and water sports. We liaise with and encourage schools, local businesses and other groups to raise awareness and to reduce plastic pollution

We are committed to making continuous improvements in the management of our environmental impacts. We work in partnership with others to promote environmental stewardship across our value chain, increase understanding of environmental issues amongst our stakeholders and disseminate good practice with other companies.

Our Only World is responsible for ensuring that the environmental policy is implemented. However, all volunteers have a role to play – this Sustainability Policy outlines our individual and shared responsibilities to ensure that the aims and objectives of the policy are met.

This Sustainability Policy commits us to

- Embed environmental risks into our risk identification and mitigation processes

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- Regularly assess our areas of environmental impacts, which includes considering current and future environmental issues
- Set targets for continuous improvement

### Growing

We will consider the impact of our activities on the ecology of our landscape and native species.

### Materials

Where possible we will source materials and products for sale and manufacturing locally, thereby reducing emissions and positively influencing the local economy.

We will work with the most ethical suppliers we can find, and will continue to engage with them so as to promote environmental sustainability.

### Culture

All volunteers will be encouraged to promote the ideals and attitudes within this document .

### Energy, Waste and Water

When new products are to be purchased, their efficiency and energy consumption will be analysed and factored into any decisions made.

We will seek low-carbon electricity suppliers in addition to renewable energy technology.

### Maintenance

We will design and promote products and services for sale that are designed to last and to be easily maintained.

### Ecology

We will identify and protect wildlife (in particular species protected by European and UK legislation) wherever we carry out our activities, through the consultation of experts where necessary.

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### Circular Economy

We will create or research markets for secondary raw materials that arise from our activities.

We will thoroughly research, test and promote the lifecycle and durability of our products.

### Partners

We will use our website to engage with, educate and inform our partners about the work we do to contribute to Cornwall's environmental growth, and how customers can complement this.

We will use our website to inform our partners about how important Cornwall's natural environment is to businesses and people living and operating in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

### Strategy and performance

We will review and update environmental objectives and targets on an annual basis.

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REVIEW DATE (TO BE REVIEWED ON):19/8/20

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