



Environmental Policy & Action Plan

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Overview: At YBW we recognise that we have a vital part to play in changing attitudes and approaches to environmental sustainability and climate change. We create work that help us question and imagine who we are as individuals and as communities, our social responsibility, and our future. We are passionate about ensuring that our programming is underpinned by a recognition of this responsibility, through these actions:

- Continue to use energy efficient equipment and systems in the studios, such as LED lighting.
- Move to energy efficient lights in the office.
- Reduce waste from our activities and productions by increasing reuse and recycling across our activities. Recycling is now part of our day-to-day practice and it has made a big impact on reducing our waste.
- Office activities/PR: printing to be reduced, by using digital media extensively.
- Travel: staff & members: encouraged to use viable public transport alternatives.
- Artistically - The role of telling stories that can either promote or ignore the context of climate change in all social, political, and economic debate
- Seek to recycle or re-use our sets and costumes.
- Monitor our weekly waste and recycling, with the view to reducing our overall waste
- Only allow reusable water bottles in rehearsals and class.
- Ensure that all providers align with our objectives to reduce their carbon footprint and endorse sustainable activity
- Introduce a detailed itinerary of all materials and existing set and prop items within our store, with visual aids, to provide to creative teams at the beginning of a project, and to be available to other venues to borrow.
- This document is managed by the Company Manager but owned by all members of staff.
- Our YBW Policy and Action Plan will be reviewed each year