

# Sustainability Policy for Carrigaline Court Hotel and Leisure Centre

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## General Statement of Intent

At Carrigaline court Hotel and Leisure Centre we are committed to promoting sustainability in all aspects of our operations. We recognise the importance of protecting the environment for future generations and strive to minimize our ecological footprint while providing exceptional service to our guests. Our goal is to create a welcoming atmosphere that respects the natural surroundings of Cork County and supports local communities.

## Quantifiable Goals for the Future

To guide our sustainability efforts, we have established the following measurable objectives, with a target completion date of 2026:

### Energy

- Goal: Reduce energy consumption by 25% per guest night.
- Actions: Implement energy-efficient lighting, upgrade HVAC systems, and encourage the use of energy management systems.

### Waste

- Goal: Achieve a 50% reduction in landfill waste by recycling and composting.
- Actions: Enhance recycling programs, eliminate single-use plastics, and implement a food waste composting system.

### Water

- Goal: Decrease water usage by 30% per guest night.
- Actions: Install low-flow fixtures, promote water conservation practices among staff and guests, and regularly monitor water usage.

### CO2 Emissions

- Goal: Reduce overall CO2 emissions by 30% by 2026.
- Actions: Transition to renewable energy sources, implement energy-efficient technologies, and engage in carbon offset programs.

## Actions Completed to Date

As of August 2024, we have successfully implemented several initiatives to advance our sustainability goals:

## Sustainability Procedures

1. Energy Efficiency Upgrades:
  - Replaced traditional lighting with LED alternatives throughout the hotel.
  - Installed heating time plans for radiators in all bedrooms. All radiators will be in the off position when the room is not in use and guests can change accordingly.
2. Waste Management:
  - Established a comprehensive recycling program, diverting 40% of our waste from landfills. We are currently offering a zero waste to landfill system verified by our waste contractor.
  - Partnered with local charities to donate surplus food and furniture during upgrades to the premises.
3. Water Conservation:
  - Upgraded to low-flow showerheads and taps in all guest rooms and leisure centre facilities.
  - Conducted staff training on water-saving practices.
4. Sustainable Sourcing:
  - Sourced 50% of our food and beverage products from local suppliers to support the community and reduce transportation emissions.
5. Guest Engagement:
  - Launched a sustainability awareness program for guests, encouraging participation in our eco-friendly initiatives.

## Conclusion

At the Carrigaline court Hotel and Leisure Centre, we believe that sustainable practices are integral to our success and our responsibility as a business. We will continue to monitor our progress, engage with our staff and guests, and seek innovative solutions to further our commitment to sustainability. Together, we can create a more sustainable future for Cork County and beyond.

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