



GOOSTREY PARISH COUNCIL

Environmental & Bio-Diversity Policy

REVISION DATE

July 2025

REPLACES POLICY

December 2019

POLICY AIM

The aim of this policy is to demonstrate how Goostrey Parish Council will support the long-term environmental, cultural, and economic health and vitality of the Parish, and will promote a community that is vibrant, safe, healthy, and inclusive.

POLICY STATEMENT

As a Parish Council:

- We are committed to continually improving environmental performance and prevent pollution.
- We will use resources efficiently and take appropriate opportunities to minimise waste through re-use and recycling.
- We will develop environmental improvement action plans with achievable and realistic targets which will be reviewed and updated periodically.

In its administration and activities Goostrey Parish Council will seek to:

- Protect the environment by encouraging reducing, reusing, and recycling within our community, to save money, energy, and natural resources.
- Protect and enhance the special landscape quality of the Parish and access to the countryside;
- Protect the character, identity, and rural setting of the village;
- Enhance the quality of the built environment and heritage features;
- Protect and enhance biodiversity including habitats and protected species;
- Protect valued green spaces within the village, including the Bog Bean, and recreation areas including sports and children's play facilities;
- Protect and enhance village services and local employment opportunities;
- Enhance safety for all road users including pedestrians.

In addition, the Parish Council will:

- Seek to conserve resources where practicable;
- Aim to reduce soil, water, air, light, and noise pollution, littering and fly-tipping;
- Promote non-motorised transport;
- Raise the profile of environmental issues, within the Parish and Borough
- Encourage volunteering and engage residents in environmental projects and issues;
- Enlist public engagement to report environmental issues;
- Review planning policies and proposals affecting the Parish and their likely environmental impacts and respond as appropriate;
- Engage with local environmental agencies, councils, and planning authorities;
- Ensure that the Amenities Committee monitors implementation of this policy as required and brings forward environmental initiatives as appropriate.

IMPLEMENTATION

The Amenities Committee and Parish Clerk

MONITORING

The policy will be monitored by the Amenities Committee

POLICY APPROVAL

Council Minute Reference 07.25.5a

POLICY REVIEW DUE

July 2026