

URBAN  WILDERNESS

**ENVIRONMENTAL &
SUSTAINABILITY
POLICY**



OUR APPROACH

We work hard to make a **positive impact** on social, natural and local economies.

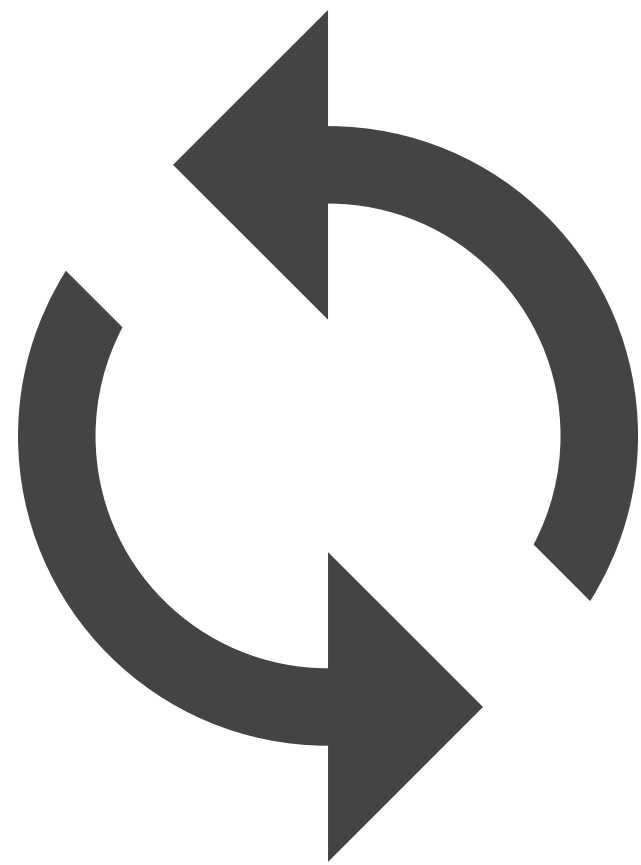
We **see ourselves as part of nature**, not separate from it. We always **leave a site in a better condition** than when we found it.

We consider the **long-term impact** of our decisions and the way we work. Our projects **increase environmental awareness** and **encourage stewardship** of the natural environment and **pro-environmental behaviours**. We invest in the change-makers of tomorrow, today.



Our work actively seeks to change the narrative in relation to **decolonising the natural environment** through projects with marginalised and diverse communities.

RESOURCES



We work collaboratively with other local community and charitable organisations and **share our resources** with them and anyone we're working with to avoid unnecessary additional purchases.

We consider **build quality** and **ability to repair** when purchasing any new equipment and materials to them at their highest value for as long as possible.

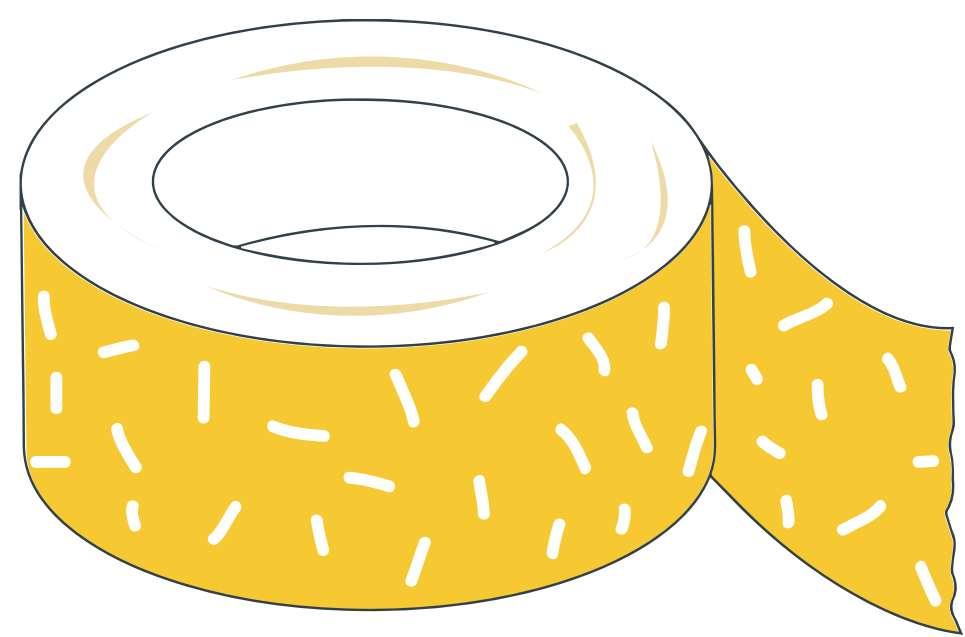
We look after our equipment and materials to **reuse** them and **avoid disposing and repurchasing**. We will repair or repurpose any broken equipment.

**CHOOSE
TO
REUSE**

SUPPLY & THE LOCAL ECONOMY



We are members of our local **Scrapshack** and purchase materials for our workshops there when possible.



We use **local suppliers** wherever possible and audit our annual spending to review and improve

We ask for and choose **eco-friendly options** for printing and materials.



We use very little **single-use plastic materials** and will always seek alternatives.

REPURPOSING WASTE

We **repurpose** industrial 'waste' materials in our activities, from wooden pallets to resources from our local Scrapshack, **reducing the industrial waste** in our community.

We **reuse** equipment, materials and products wherever possible, including branded materials from previous events that can be printed over or repurposed.



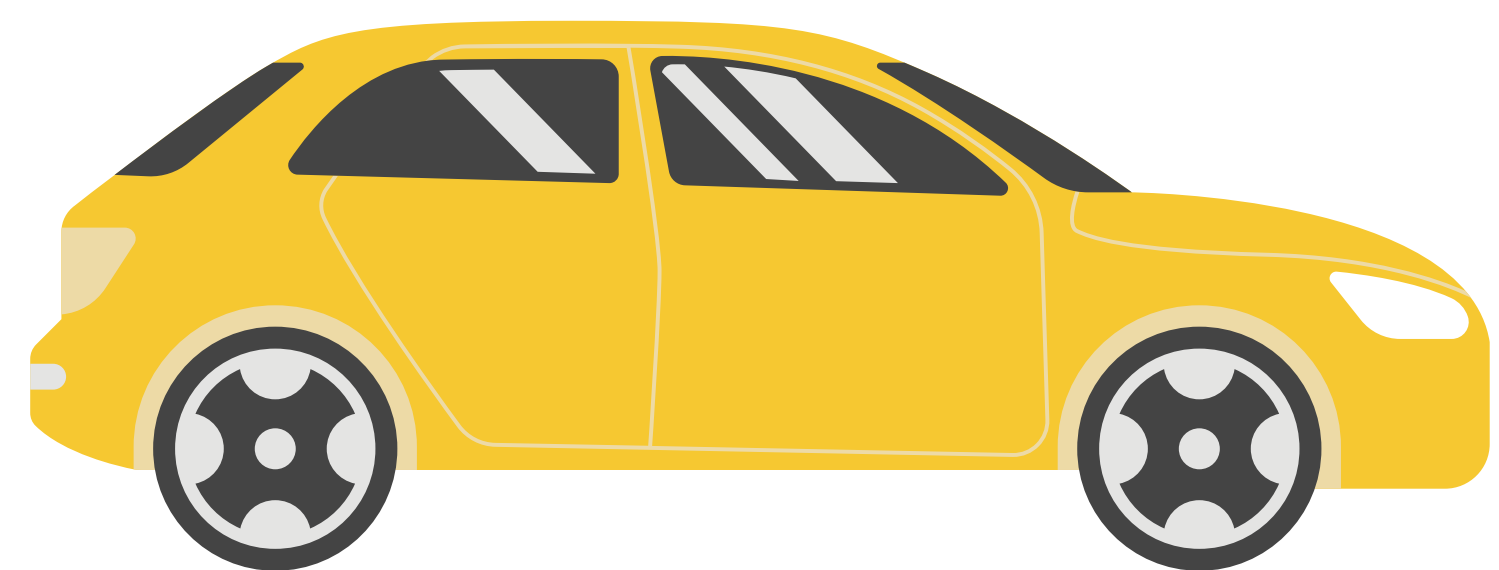
We **produce very little waste with our work**. Any equipment, materials or products that we can't reuse or repurpose are donated to organisations that can reuse or are disposed with **recycling** services.

TRAVEL & THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT

Our work is embedded in and grows from Stoke-on-Trent.

We encourage access and use of **hyper-local green spaces** within communities, which avoids the additional travel required to access national parks.

We **limit our vehicle travel** by **sharing vehicles, walking** where possible or **meeting online** through video call.



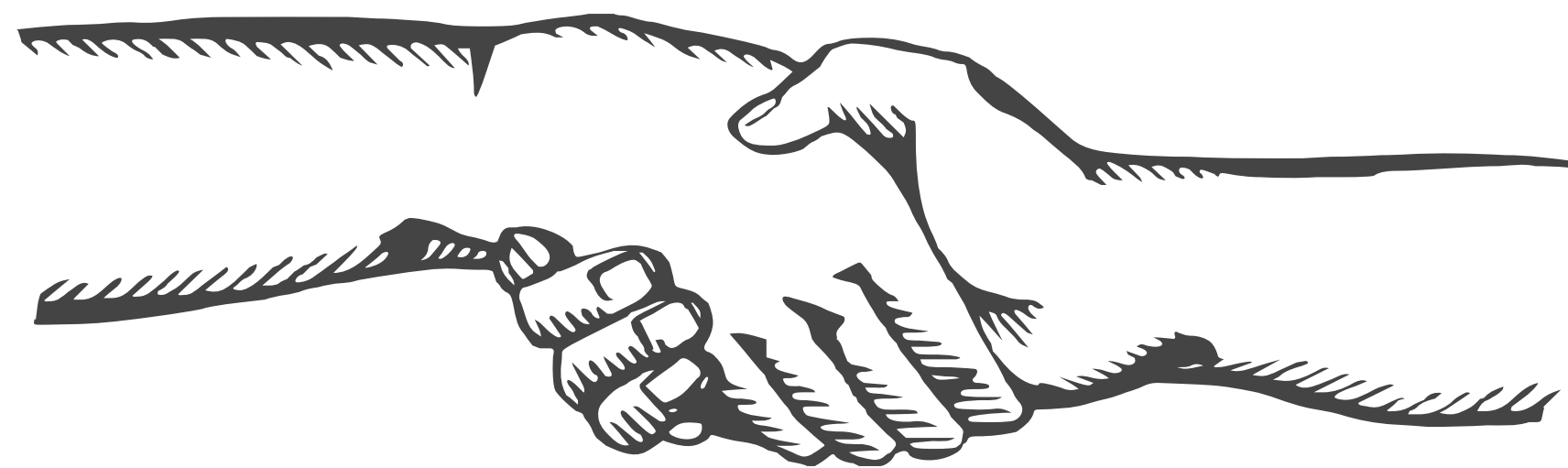
We lease a previously empty and disused high street shop unit, **improving the streetscape** through window displays and use.

We will reduce our carbon footprint by using **100% renewable energy providers** for our utility services.



SUSTAINABLE PRACTICE

No single person is responsible for delivering environmental sustainability. **Everyone has their part to play** in putting this policy into practice.



We will share this policy and **discuss sustainability with people we work with** to support and embed more environmental friendly practices in work we commission. Sustainability will be part of our judging criteria for any commission or work vacancies.



We will seek and provide training on carbon literacy and sustainability for ourselves and people we work with.

We will comply with and strive to exceed the requirements of all relevant environmental legislation.

We welcome feedback, we can always improve. Let us know if there are things we can do better.



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