

# SLACC-*tt* Sustainability Policy

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South Lakes Action on Climate Change (SLACC) believes that the world is facing a climate emergency and a biodiversity emergency. These emergencies pose an existential threat to people and communities around the world, with the most severe impacts often falling on people who are already vulnerable and disadvantaged; including people who have done the least to cause these emergencies.

We are committed to tackling the climate and biodiversity emergencies and promoting sustainability more generally, focusing in particular on the district of South Lakeland. We will seek to do this through a range of activities, in line with our charitable objectives:

1. To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the natural environment by:
  - a) Facilitating and undertaking practical projects to reduce carbon emissions and increase climate resilience.
  - b) Raising awareness of and promoting a just climate transition that addresses wellbeing, equity and inclusion.
2. To educate the public about climate change and environmental conservation.

We will also do all we can to make our own operations more sustainable. For example, we will seek to minimise our negative social and environmental impacts by:

- Using renewable resources (including energy sources) where possible
- Reducing energy consumption and improving energy efficiency
- Reducing resource use, re-using resources and recycling resources
- Reducing the number of journeys undertaken and using the least socially and environmentally damaging mode of transport possible
- Taking account of environmental performance and social justice in purchasing decisions wherever possible

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