



SOMERLEYTON ESTATE

## Green Policy



### Environmental and Social Responsibility Policy

The Somerleyton Estate is committed to working in a sustainable way for the better preservation of our wildlife, heritage, and environment. We are undertaking the following actions in order to achieve this:

- We comply with the requirements of environmental legislation and approved codes of practice
- We continuously seek to improve our environmental and social performance
- We have minimised our risks associated with social and environmental issues
- We are developing sustainable strategies and action plans that deliver clear business benefits
- We are taking steps to reduce pollution, emissions and waste
- We are reducing the use of energy, water and other resources
- We are raising awareness, encouraging participation and training employees in sustainable business practices
- We expect similar environmental standards from all suppliers and contractors
- We assist customers to use products, services and resources in an environmentally sensitive way
- We liaise with the local community, local groups and specialist individuals to ensure we are doing the best we can to safeguard the interests of others
- We have joined the Green Tourism Business Scheme as an indicator of our sustainable practices.

To help us achieve our objectives, we have introduced a “GO Green” initiative on the Estate so help our guests undertake small, but significant steps to help us in our aim.

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## GOING GREEN



### **Sustainable Mission Statement**

Reducing our impact on the environment and acting in a sustainable and responsible way is an integral part of our lives. We believe that we can all make a positive difference to our future through a greater understanding of our actions and reducing our impact on the environment. We hope by our understanding, actions and daily deeds that we will make a positive difference to our environment now and in the future. We are measured by our actions.

To support our ambition to be Green, outlines is some advice and suggestions for our guests and visitors to help us be sustainable and limit our affects to the environment

### **Conserve Energy**

- From the Somerleyton Estate, you can see the stars at night! Help us reduce energy use and CO2 emissions by switching off lights and standby buttons when you don't need them
- Unplug electrical appliances when they're not in use, Half Fill the Kettle
- Close the window if the heating is on

### **Give the car a holiday for a day**

- Leave the car behind for a day, instead walk, ride or cycle. There are some fantastic footpaths, trails and sites to see locally. Pick up a map from reception
- Forget parking worries and pop in to main reception for details on public transport to Great Yarmouth, Lowestoft, Beccles, Bungay or to the stunning City of Norwich

### **Shop Local, Buy Local**

- Use local products wherever possible, they give you a flavour of the area and help support the local community as well as reducing food miles.
- Seeking out farmers' markets, village stores, pubs and cafes can cut food miles and support the rural economy
- At Somerleyton we are very fortunate to have some fantastic businesses, such as the Award winning Somerleyton Post Office and Tea Rooms, as well as the Duke's Head and Fritton House.

### **Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**

- Try to avoid overly packaged goods
- Use reusable 'bags for life'
- Help us in our efforts to recycle: We are able to recycle cans, paper, cardboard, plastic bottles. Glass, however, must be kept separate.

### **Be Water Wise**

- Turn off the tap when you're brushing your teeth;
- Take a shower instead of a bath

### **Enjoy and respect nature**

- Enjoy, preserve and respect our beautiful countryside
- Avoid dropping litter and follow the Countryside Code