



# Baines School

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## Baines School Green Procurement Statement of Intent

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Baines School will ensure that when all products and services are purchased, we will consider environmental aspects, potential impacts and costs, associated with their life cycle.

Our practice of procuring products and services will endeavour to ensure that they are less harmful to the environment (land, air and water) and that they are made with less harmful materials when produced, used or consumed. This will include, where possible; buying locally, buying recycled and recyclable, using less chemicals and reducing the schools carbon footprint associated with products and services.

### **Paper**

- Using recycled materials
- Using recyclable materials and recycling used paper
- Photocopying on both sides to save paper where possible
- Reducing our carbon footprint
- Posting information on the school's website/social media when possible
- Sending all communication to parents via email or app wherever possible

### **Cleaning products**

- Decrease the amount of packaging used
- Using less chemicals
- Using cleaning products that are effective at low temperatures
- Good training of cleaning and site staff
- Decreasing the number of products used
- Using products made in the UK
- Avoiding certain hazardous substances in products (COSHH)

### **Office equipment**

- Recycling paper, cardboard, batteries and clothing
- Using recycled materials where possible
- Sending all communication to staff via email or app wherever possible

### **Lighting**

- LED energy saving lights fitted when existing fittings come to end of life
- Light sensors fitted into any new build or area of refurbishment

## **Transport**

- Promote walking to school

## **Energy**

- Windows to have glass which keeps the school cool in summer and warm in winter fitted in any new build
- Continue project to upgrade to energy efficient boilers
- Radiators fitted with temperature controls to regulate room temperature

## **Food and catering services**

- Using local suppliers
- Use reusable cutlery and crockery when appropriate
- Procurement of seasonal products
- Procurement of bulk or packaging that has a high recycled content
- Recycle cardboard
- Where possible procurement of organically produced products, free range eggs, MSC certified fish and meat classified under the farm assurance scheme

## **Gardening products**

- Composting materials
- Act on invasive plants and animals
- Limit plant pesticides and use alternative pest control techniques
- Produce organically produced and native plants
- Use locally collected water from water butts whenever possible

## **Water**

- Install water saving toilets during any refurbishment
- Install water saving taps that turn off themselves during any refurbishment
- Use of water butt for outdoor area