

# Crescent Arts Environmental Policy 2016-2017

## Objectives

The aims of this policy are:

- to improve our environmental performance by reducing carbon emissions
- to research, develop and implement cost effective ways of operating to minimise impact on the environment
- to identify materials and energy sources which minimise impact on the environment
- to increase awareness amongst staff, artists, members, users and stakeholders

## Targets

Crescent Arts is committed to reducing its carbon emissions. Taking 2014-15 as our most recent baseline for energy consumption we will continue to monitor and assess usage and set targets for 2016 onwards.

Water consumption is not metered separately and it is proving difficult to measure this, despite consultation with Scarborough Art Gallery with whom we share the building. We will try to find a way to set targets for water consumption through 2016/17 with the aim of achieving realistic reduction and through monthly monitoring of consumption.

We seek to align this policy with that of our Local Authority and Landlord, Scarborough Borough Council, whose targets are still under review.

### Target for energy consumption

As a provisional target for 2016/17 Crescent Arts aims to reduce its energy consumption by at least 5% from baseline data of 2014-2015 with subsequent targets to 2019 to be set in consultation with our Landlord and fellow tenant Scarborough Art Gallery.

### Target for water consumption

Crescent Arts will try to establish baseline data for 2016/17 and set targets for reduction through 2016-2019 in consultation with our Landlord and fellow tenant Scarborough Art Gallery.

### Target for waste

Crescent Arts is establishing baseline data for waste and its disposal/recycling during 2015/16 and aims to set targets to improve performance for the period to 2019

## Implementation

This policy is supported by an Environmental Action Plan which identifies how the policy will be implemented, with targets, dates and persons responsible for delivering it. At the end of each financial year we will assess and report our environmental performance to stakeholders within our Annual Report. This information will be used to update our action plan for the coming year. Trustees, staff and resident artists will work together to promote environmental awareness to members, audiences and all stakeholders and this policy will be reviewed every three years, updated and posted to our website.