



Environmental Sustainability Policy

The National Youth Jazz Collective (NYJC) recognises the importance of reducing our environmental impact for future generations. NYJC has developed this Environmental Sustainability Policy to:

- Demonstrate our commitment to minimising our carbon footprint
- Promote best practice and awareness of Environmental Sustainability to our staff, board, tutors, suppliers and participants

NYJC staff and tutors should make every effort within their sphere of control to minimise any adverse effect of NYJC on the environment. Examples include:

- Using power and other services as economically as possible
- Planning journeys to minimise fuel on NYJC business
- Use public transport wherever possible

NYJC rents a small office from Kings Place Foundation at Kings Cross which is a modern office designed to and operating with high levels of environmental sustainability in all respects. To ensure that NYJC's business has little impact on the environment, the organisation:

- co-operates with recycling systems for waste paper, etc. that are in place
- sources materials and services from local suppliers
- prints double-sided recycled paper as far as possible
- keeps print marketing to the minimum and maximises use of on-line resources

NYJC recognises that there are some aspects of our business practice that impact on our ability to implement effectively implement an Environmental Sustainability Policy. For instance:

- NYJC rent an office space from Kings Place Foundation and is not in control of overall heating, lighting and rubbish collection systems
- Sometimes both participants and tutors need to transport heavy and unwieldy

instruments (drum kits, double bass, etc) and additional equipment (guitar amps). Public transport is therefore not always an appropriate means of attending gigs and workshops.

- NYJC is beholden to venues and partners for most of its workshop and performance spaces and is therefore unable to be in control of external policies for lighting, heating, catering or printing of publicity.

Where NYJC is not in control of the environmental impact of our work, we seek to influence partners on their environmental sustainability practices.

Review

This policy is reviewed and updated on an annual basis. The dates of the most recent review is 30 Jan 2018.