

## **Environmental Policy Statement**

Locala Community Partnerships CIC provide a wide range of NHS community services to over 400,000 people in Kirklees and beyond. We are a Community Interest Company that has been created for the benefit of our patients and the public. Our mission is to provide high quality, value for money care and support closer to home. In doing so, we fully recognise that some of our services and activities could have some impacts on the environment.

Good environmental management is the responsibility of all Locala employees. We will make our colleagues aware of this environmental policy and, where appropriate, provide relevant training and support to implement this policy across Locala's business.

In order to demonstrate the fulfilment of the company's responsibilities, Locala have adopted the following policies and practices.

We shall

- Strive to incorporate sustainability into our core business operation through internal and external efforts.
- Identify our significant environmental impacts and take action to manage those throughout our operation.
- Promote a culture that considers the environmental impact of the actions of everyone involved in our organisation and incorporate environmental considerations into our decision-making processes.
- Minimise the pollution and nuisance caused by the organisation's activities and implement mitigation measures wherever possible.
- Reduce energy use and carbon footprint through implementation of a carbon reduction plan and strategy across Locala's estates and operation.
- Reduce consumption of water and generation of wastewater.
- Eliminate wastes from the waste stream and reduce generation of wastes by implementing waste reduction plan and strategies throughout Locala's operation.
- Implement sustainable procurement policy.
- Promote protection and enhancement of biodiversity and ecosystem within Locala's estates through tree planting and landscaping and carbon offset initiatives where possible.
- Comply with all relevant environmental laws, regulations and standards and exceed these where practicable.
- Ensure that colleagues are aware of their responsibilities with respect to the environment and have the appropriate knowledge and skills to fulfil them.
- Achieve continual improvement in performance through the ongoing review of the management system to determine its effectiveness.

This policy statement has been approved and endorsed by the Locala Board of Directors and will be reviewed and updated each year to ensure it reflects our key environmental impacts and responsibilities, our regulatory duties and our wider sustainability aspirations.

Signed on behalf of the Locala Board

Karen Jackson Chief Executive, May 2023

