


DEVONSHIRE HOUSE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

As a family run business we are totally aware that how we live our lives now, has an impact on our children’s lives and of those living around us. The outlook is not pretty and we need and want to do our bit to help – little by little, bit by bit, whilst still maintaining cost benefits so that our business continues to be a viable one.

We have completed the PlanetMark training programme to show our commitment to measure, engage and communicate our passion for providing a more sustainable future for all. Any comments are always welcomed.

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<p>HOW WE REDUCE</p> <p><i>Breakfast is pre ordered to minimise waste</i></p> <p><i>Bulk buy cereal and decant</i></p> <p><i>Food is locally sourced to reduce food miles and support local businesses</i></p> <p><i>Fruit past its best is frozen and used in smoothies</i></p> <p><i>Use longlife containers to store opened food stuffs rather than cling film along with beeswax wraps instead where hygienic</i></p> <p>No brochure produced, use the website</p> <p>Created virtual guest book instead of fliers</p> <p>Print double sided where possible</p> <p>Email used instead of post</p> <p>In room toiletries decanted from 5 litre container</p> <p>Bulk buy recycled toilet rolls with other B&B’s to reduce delivery and transport effects</p> <p>Reusable Perspex beakers in bathrooms</p> <p><i>Lowest safe temperature and shortest cycle used to wash towels</i></p> <p><i>Summer notice asking guests to draw curtains to keep room cool</i></p> <p><i>Room notice to ask guests to turn off lights</i></p> <p><i>Bowls used to limit amount of water when w.up</i></p> <p><i>New low energy boiler installed</i></p> <p><i>Hallway and exterior lights fitted with timer or movement sensor</i></p> <p><i>Radiators have thermostats fitted</i></p> <p><i>LED lighting fitted throughout</i></p>	<p>HOW WE REUSE</p> <p>Upcycle furniture by painting and reupholstering rather than replacing</p> <p>We put unwanted items onto freecycle</p> <p>Where one side is blank we use old post to print on</p> <p>In room notice to encourage guests to reuse towels</p> <p>Out of date tourist leaflets offered to neighbourhood craft schemes before recycling</p> <p>Rainwater collected to water garden</p> <p>HOW WE RECYCLE</p> <p><i>Food scraps are recycled and collected by the council</i></p> <p><i>Large jams and sauces are decanted into smaller containers</i></p> <p><i>Happy to fill guests own reusable water bottles</i></p> <p><i>Empty coffee pods are recycled through dolce gusto scheme</i></p> <p>Recycled loo roll is purchased and used</p> <p>Glass, card, papers, plastics, foil and tin are all recycled</p> <p>Recyclable material is removed from bedroom bins</p> <p>Cleaning cloths are safely washed and re used rather than disposable ones</p> <p>Old towels are ripped and used as cleaning cloths</p>	<p>FUTURE PLANS</p> <p><i>Environmental</i></p> <p><i>Assess viability of electric car charging port</i></p> <p><i>Assess using dilute from concentrate cleaners</i></p> <p><i>Assess using non damaging cleaners</i></p> <p><i>Stop using single use shower hats</i></p> <p><i>Use biodegradable bin liners</i></p> <p><i>Use cloth serviettes</i></p> <p><i>Look into online/technical breakfast orders</i></p> <p><i>Economic</i></p> <p>When utilities are up for renewal – look at green energy providers</p> <p>Look at ‘smart displays’ where we can assess the amount of energy being used in the house and cottage (this was not possible with our previous provider)</p> <p><i>Social</i></p> <p><i>Look at glass bottles in fridge for guests so that they do not feel the need to have plastic water bottles in their room</i></p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
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