



## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

1. Orion Harriers is committed to **minimising our impact** on the environment. We will achieve this through the objectives set out in this policy.
2. **Plastic** water bottles will not be provided during or after races. Runners will be encouraged to bring their own reusable water bottles and we will make a water supply available for them to use.
3. Any single-use cups or plates that we supply will be biodegradable and, where possible, we will **recycle** any waste that we produce.
4. We will seek to provide vegetarian and **vegan alternatives** at club events.
5. We will monitor and seek to reduce energy consumption at our **club house**. Heating will be via a timer switch, for lighting we will use energy saving light bulbs and if maintenance or repairs are needed these will be carried out using environmentally responsible materials.
6. Unnecessary **printing** will be avoided. Minutes and agenda items will be circulated electronically.
7. We will, where possible, use **race numbers** that have been printed on recyclable or biodegradable material.
8. **Suppliers** of kit, race t-shirts and club awards will be encouraged to reduce their environmental impact.
9. We will encourage our members to donate or **recycle clothing**, shoes and medals and supply details of organisations that help with this.
10. Car sharing to and from races is strongly encouraged and, where feasible, members will be encouraged to cycle or to use public **transport**.
11. **"Plogging"** helps to keep the forest clean. We will encourage our members to participate.
12. We will **raise awareness** of this environmental policy among our members and among the wider running community.
13. We will **review this policy** regularly and aim continually to improve our environmental performance as new initiatives and technological advances emerge.

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