



The Crowborough Sustainability Charter

We, the undersigned local sports clubs from the Crowborough area, commit to the principles and actions outlined in this Sustainability Charter to contribute to a more sustainable and environmentally responsible sporting community. By adopting these practices, we aim to reduce our ecological footprint, inspire our members and fans, and foster a culture of sustainability within our clubs.

1. Environmental Responsibility

We pledge to reduce our impact on the environment by:

- a. **Energy Efficiency:** Implementing energy-efficient technologies and practices within our facilities where practicable, and encouraging members to do the same at home.
- b. **Waste Reduction:** Reducing waste generation through recycling, composting, and responsible disposal methods.
- c. **Water Conservation:** Implementing water-saving measures in our facilities and promoting responsible water use among members.
- d. **Biodiversity:** Protecting and preserving local biodiversity through responsible land management practices and promoting wildlife-friendly environments around our sports venues.

2. Sustainable Transportation

We will encourage sustainable transportation options for members and fans:

- a. **Public Transportation:** Promoting the use of public transport to attend games and events.
- b. **Carpooling:** Encouraging carpooling programs to reduce individual car use.
- c. **Walking and Cycling:** Creating pedestrian and cycling-friendly paths and infrastructure to access our venues.

3. Eco-Friendly Facilities

We will strive to make our facilities more eco-friendly by:

- a. **Green Infrastructure:** Implementing energy-efficient lighting, heating, and cooling systems, and exploring renewable energy sources.
- b. **Water Management:** Installing water-efficient fixtures and exploring rainwater harvesting.
- c. **Natural Landscaping:** Incorporating native plants and sustainable landscaping practices.

4. Community Engagement

We will engage our members, fans, and local community in sustainability initiatives:



- a. Education and Awareness: Raising awareness about sustainability through workshops, events, and online resources.
- b. Community Cleanups: Organising and participating in local clean-up events to keep our community clean and beautiful.
- c. Supporting Local Sustainability: Collaborating with other member organisations of Green Transition Crowborough and with local businesses and other organisations that share our commitment to sustainability.

5. Sustainable Procurement

We will prioritize environmentally responsible purchasing:

- a. Local and Sustainable Sourcing: Prioritizing locally sourced, eco-friendly, and fair-trade products and materials for our events and facilities.
- b. Reducing Single-Use Plastics: Minimizing the use of single-use plastics at our events and facilities.

6. Reporting and Accountability

We will regularly assess and report our progress:

- a. Annual Sustainability Reports: Publishing annual sustainability reports to track and communicate our environmental impact and progress.
- b. Accountability: Holding ourselves accountable for meeting our sustainability goals and continually striving for improvement.

By signing this Sustainability Charter, we commit to the principles of sustainability, working collaboratively, and taking action to protect our environment and inspire positive change within our sporting community. Together, we can build a greener, healthier, and more sustainable future for all.

Signed:

[Club Name] [Date]