



Environmental Policy Statement

South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust (SECAmb) is committed to minimising the environmental impacts of our service. Our commitment is to ensure compliance with environmental legislation and the prevention of pollution through appropriate risk control consistent with maintaining an exceptional service to our patients

SECAmb is committed to the following key principles:

- Integrating the consideration of environmental concerns and impacts into all of our decision making and activities
- Recognising that the minimum acceptable level of environmental performance is that set out in current environmental legislation
- Setting clear environmental objectives and regularly monitoring progress against them
- Minimising the generation of waste and reducing its environmental impact through responsible disposal and recycling options
- Minimising the use and emission to the environment of any hazardous materials used in our processes and activities and sourcing non-hazardous alternatives where commercially viable
- Purchasing recycled, recyclable and environmentally responsible products where these are available, economical and suitable
- Working in partnership with suppliers and contractors to establish high environmental standards
- Promoting environmental awareness among employees and training staff about environmental issues that affect their work and their responsibilities in maintaining good environmental management
- Communicating the Trust's Environmental Policy and commitments to all staff and stakeholders

To meet our commitments we will:

- Review environmental policies and performance regularly, and allocate resources for their effective direction and implementation
- Set and monitor key objectives and targets for managing our environmental performance at least annually
- Communicate internally and externally our environmental policy and performance on a regular basis, and encourage feedback
- Communicate the importance of environmental issues to our people
- Work together with our staff and stakeholders to promote improved environmental performance

Signed: _____

Chief Executive

Date: 9 May 2014