

13. ENVIRONMENTAL

13.1. Mepal Parish Council aims to carry out its activities with environmental efficiency, actively seeking to protect and enhance the local environment within its area of operation whilst endeavouring to ensure wider adverse environmental impact does not occur as a result.

13.2. In all its activities the Parish Council will aim to;

- i) Minimise the consumption of all resources used in its operations, particularly in respect of the administration of its activities.
- ii) Seek, wherever possible, to use only contractors and suppliers who have their own environmental policy, one which is continually reviewed, updated and measured against recognised, contemporary best practice examples.

13.3. Mepal Parish Council will strive to;

- i) Meet all relevant environmental legislation and regulations
- ii) Regularly update and improve standards in light of increased understanding and knowledge.
- iii) Avoid the creation of unnecessary waste by adhering to a policy of considered, strategic purchasing.
- iv) Recycle and reuse waste materials where possible.
- v) Dispose of all necessary waste through safe and responsible methods.
- vi) Encourage the responsible use of energy
- vii) Respect and protect natural resources by practising conservation and good management.
- viii) Encourage contractors and suppliers to minimise their impact on the environment.
- ix) Encourage its Members and employees to take responsibility for ensuring that the best environmental policy is used and adhered to at all times.

Document History – ENVIRONMENTAL		
Status	Date	Version
Draft to Clerk	28 th April 2018	1.0
Draft to Council for Debate	4 th May 2018	1.0
Council Approved	14 th May 2018	1.0
Next Review by Clerk		