



Sustainability Policy

At the Bournemouth Writing Festival, we recognise the importance of sustainability and are committed to minimising our environmental impact while promoting social responsibility. Our sustainability policy encompasses the following principles:

1. Use of paper:

We are dedicated to reducing our carbon footprint and minimising waste generation as much as possible. This is balanced with the feedback we receive of how attendees like to be communicated to. Whilst we would love to reduce our use of paper to zero, your feedback suggests printed material in accessible places. Therefore, we commit to using recycled paper and to recycle any waste.

We encourage attendees to also recycle unwanted promotional literature.

Whenever possible, we will prioritise the use of renewable energy sources and environmentally friendly materials in our marketing material.

2. Environmentally-friendly products:

Our merchandise is sourced from Teemill, an Isle of Wight-based company that uses green power, recycled materials and sustainable practices.

We encourage our venues to provide recycling bins and composting facilities.

3. Sustainable Transportation:

We encourage attendees, staff, and participants to utilise Bournemouth's transportation options when traveling to and from the festival. This may include walking, cycling, or using public transportation. These are detailed on our website.

4. Community Engagement:

We are committed to engaging with the local community and fostering partnerships with organisations that share our commitment to sustainability.

Educational initiatives and interactive activities will be integrated into the festival programme to raise awareness about environmental issues and inspire action for positive change.

7. Continuous Improvement:

We will regularly evaluate our sustainability practices and seek opportunities for improvement. Feedback from attendees, stakeholders, and sustainability experts will be welcomed and considered in our decision-making process.

By continuously striving to enhance our sustainability efforts, we aim to set a positive example for other events and contribute to a more sustainable future for our community and planet.

By adhering to this sustainability policy, we aim to demonstrate our commitment to environmental stewardship, social responsibility, and the well-being of future generations. We invite all participants, partners, and stakeholders to join us in our efforts to make the Bournemouth Writing Festival a sustainable and environmentally conscious event.

Thank you.

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