

Craiglinnhe House, Sustainability and the Environment

We believe in good environmental practice and operating in a sustainable manner. We are therefore committed to reducing our environmental impact and improving our environmental performance as a major part of our business strategy and operating methods. It is our priority to encourage our customers, suppliers and all business associates to do the same. Not only is this sound commercial sense; it is also a matter of delivering on our duty of care towards future generations.

Energy:

- An ongoing programme of exchanging and installing low energy light bulbs (LEDs) throughout the Guest House
- Switch off extraneous and main lights during the day when the majority of guests are out
- Continuing to invest in the house energy systems to provide more efficiency and reduction in the use of natural resources with further investment planned.
- Steps have been taken to insulate to further reduce energy consumption without harming the historic value of the guest house.

Resources:

- A towel policy to reduce needless laundering of towels by asking guests to reuse towels as appropriate
- Restriction on one night stays to reduce laundering of bed linen
- We recycle – all glass, cardboard, textiles, cans, foil.
- We recycle printer cartridges (through subscription printing)
- We email confirmations to guests in order to reduce paper consumption.

The Environment:

- Sustainable fuel is used to operate our wood burner
- We restrict light pollution by minimising outside lighting as appropriate
- We use low toxicity cleaning chemicals and decorating products (low VOC)

Food:

- Where possible our suppliers are locally based and the produce we buy is grown locally to reduce transport costs and food miles whilst supporting local business.
- We minimise food waste by asking guests to pre order breakfast and by careful stock control procedures
- Our teas and coffees are Forest Alliance
- Our eggs are free range