# **Aberthin Village Hall**

## **Sustainable Development Policy**

Aberthin Village Hall Management Committee is committed to finding ways to carry out our activities in a way that responds to the social, economic and social needs of our community in an integrated manner.

We recognise that the goal of sustainable development is to enable all people to satisfy their basic needs and enjoy a better quality of life without compromising the quality of life of future generations.

Our aim is to promote social inclusion, a sustainable community and personal well being by planning and carrying out our activities in a manner that protects and enhance the physical and natural environment, and by using resources and energy as efficiently as possible.

We want to contribute to a sustainable community that meets the diverse needs of the people who live here, considers the needs of future residents and is sensitive to the environmental limits of our planet. We also recognise and respect the needs of others to make their communities sustainable.

Our aim is to make a positive impact on our local community by:

#### 1. Contributing to a better local environment

- By maintaining and enhancing the Village Hall property
- By minimising energy use, reducing pollution and using natural resources more efficiently
- By minimising waste through re-use and re-cycling
- By reducing the need to travel

### 2. Supporting a better local economy

- By providing a venue that can be used by local businesses
- By supporting local producers and retailers when purchasing goods and services.
- By encouraging and supporting the development of community enterprises.

## 3. Contributing to better social conditions

- By tackling factors that contribute to people feeling isolated.
- By promoting the value of diversity, local identity and culture.
- By providing equal opportunities for all individuals and groups to use the Hall.
- By promoting activities that lead to healthy lifestyles and wellbeing.

In pursuing the above aims we will involve local people and will encourage volunteers from the community to contribute to the management of the Hall and the delivery of its activities and events.

The successful implementation of this policy depends on the awareness and commitment of all members of the Management Committee and all volunteers who support the activities of the Village Hall. Accordingly, all new members and volunteers will be made aware of the existence of the policy when first joining and made aware that they will be expected to conform with its requirements.

Compliance with this policy will be monitored and reported to the Management Committee on an annual basis.

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Position: Chair of the Management Committee

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