

## Environmental Policy

The Zoological Society of London's (ZSL's) mission is: *'to promote and achieve the worldwide conservation of animals and their habitats'*. ZSL's work involves environmental education and endangered species breeding programmes at ZSL London Zoo and ZSL Whipsnade Zoo, as well as research and field conservation projects in the UK and overseas.

ZSL recognises that effective environmental management of its operation is a critical element in achieving its mission, and believes that all activities should be undertaken with minimal adverse impact on both the local and global environment.

Environmental considerations are at the heart of ZSL's corporate strategy. All areas of its operation are assessed to determine how they impact on the environment and necessary operational control measures are implemented to prevent pollution. ZSL sets annual objectives and targets to ensure continual improvement in environmental performance. Specifically ZSL is committed to:

- Complying with all applicable environmental legislation, and codes of practice
- Reducing emissions arising from energy and transport needs and using renewable rather than non-renewable resources where practicable
- Establishing green procurement practices
- Implementing all feasible possibilities for the reduction, reuse and recycling of waste
- Using raw materials and utilities as efficiently as practicable
- Enhancing biodiversity by appropriate management of ZSL sites
- Informing and educating stakeholders, especially visitors and the general public, on issues relating to conservation and environmental protection

To ensure these commitments and objectives are achieved, ZSL is committed to implement and maintain an Environmental Management System compliant with ISO 14001:2004. ZSL will ensure that its workforce, and those working for or on behalf of the organisation, are kept aware of this policy and their individual responsibilities within it, by an appropriate programme of training and awareness.

This policy is available to the general public via the website and on application to the Sustainability Manager.

**Signed**



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