



## Sustainability Statement

Ascendancy Partnership Trust (APT) is committed to minimising the impact of our activities on the environment both day to day and long term operations.

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- Minimising waste by reducing our general waste and actively promote recycling.
- Source and promote a product range to minimise the environmental impact of both production and distribution.
- Meet or exceed all the environmental legislation that relates to our organisation.
- Use an accredited program to offset the greenhouse gas emissions generated by our activities.
- Adopt best operational practices to reduce environmental impacts of the activities and policies of the Trust and our schools.
- Measure and take action to reduce the carbon footprint of our activities and ensure our buildings and services are adaptable to environmental changes.
- Monitor and minimise our energy and water usage.
- We will consider the environment, including climate change when procuring items. Where ever possible we will procure ethically sourced items.
- Develop a plan to identify opportunities to deliver efficiencies across the estate.
- Consider investment in areas where there is a risk of flooding or other environmental consideration.
- When considering new or refurbished buildings or extending our existing estate we will consider options within the design to provide “healthy buildings”, with reduced heat gain for example reducing the amount of glass, using green walls, well insulated buildings and the use of natural materials.