



## HEALTH AND SAFETY

### ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Good environmental stewardship is fundamental to meeting the needs and expectations of all who enjoy the Talyllyn Railway. We are committed to being responsible and proactive in the manner that we manage our environmental responsibilities. We aim to comply with local and national environmental legislation. We aim to meet with the environmental objectives of the Snowdonia National Park in which we operate.

We will work to identify our environmental impact and manage our activities to minimise waste, emissions and use of natural resources. We will aim to:

**Respect the landscape** – Our railway runs through some of the most beautiful scenery in the Snowdonia National Park. We are committed to preserving this landscape through environmental good practice and sustainable forestry. We provide a sustainable transport system for visitors to access the National Park. We will consider the environmental impact of new buildings and development projects and be sympathetic to the landscape that we operate in. We will also protect the flora and fauna by following best practice and environmental management planning. We will promote our environmental awareness to our members and passengers.

**Reduce carbon** – Our railway operations use coal, diesel, oil and electricity. We will measure our consumption and take steps to reduce the amount we use and look for alternative options where appropriate.

**Conserve Water** – We take our responsibilities for managing water courses seriously and take steps to prevent contamination. We seek to measure the amount of water we use across the business and look at ways to reduce this.

**Minimise Waste** – We seek to recycle the majority of our waste and take steps to minimise landfill. We re-use materials whenever this is practical. We dispose of all our hazardous waste in compliance with regulations.

**Promote sustainable travel** - We encourage passengers to access the railway by public transport and provide a reduction in the fares to valid railway ticket holders. We are working with the railway industry to promote travel by train.

**Source locally** – Where possible we aim to source local produce for our café, shop, printing, business to business functions and engineering skills.

**Promote environmental education** – Our railway is a source of enjoyment for nearly 50,000 people each year. We have a responsibility to encourage our visitors to appreciate the natural environment as this is part of the Talylyn Railway's charm. We aim to be responsible in our work and encourage the wider understanding of this special landscape.

We will continuously review and improve our environmental policy and update on a five-yearly basis. Progress will be reported through our management reports and communicated through the Talylyn News, at open forums and through other internal communications.