

Cruden Bay Golf Club

Environmental Management Plan

Environmental Policy Statement

Vision

The vision of Cruden Bay Golf Club is to maintain and preserve the historic links in a sustainable and environmentally-friendly manner thus maximising the potential of the links from both golfing and ecological perspectives.

Environmental Commitment from Cruden Bay Golf Club

Cruden Bay Golf Club is committed to:

- Ensuring an integrated approach to managing the playing areas and surrounding environment in order to maintain and improve the courses and to preserve the environment.
- Ensuring that all management practices conform to best environmental practice to minimise overall impact on the environment.
- Continuous improvement of future actions through regular review of environmental policy and practice.
- Improving employees' understanding of and commitment to agreed environmental practices through ongoing communication and training in a safe working environment.
- Raising awareness of golfers, visitors and local community of relevant environmental issues.
- Developing and maintaining constructive relationships with relevant environmental organisations to ensure good communication and sourcing of best advice.

Environmental Aims

Environmental Management Planning

To establish the ongoing routine integration of a wide range of golfing and environmental issues in a single management process to ensure an holistic approach and continuity in the event of staff changes and Club Council turnover.

Communications, Education and the Workplace

Internal - To improve knowledge and understanding of Council members, Club members, staff, visitors and other users of the golf courses on issues relating to environmental management.

External - To identify other stakeholders who have an interest in the environment of the golf courses and to work with them to make further improvements therein.

To recognise, and seek to co-operate positively on local environmental and community issues through appropriate partnerships.

Turfgrass

To provide turf conditions typical of a high quality traditional links based on environmentally sound procedures and practices.

Water

To recognise water is a valuable resource and to ensure all water use is carried out in line with current environmental legislation.

Nature Conservation

To promote and maximise the biodiversity value of the wildlife and habitats of the golf courses.

Landscape

To ensure the landscape of the golf courses retains its links character in perpetuity.

To enhance the aesthetic character of the golf course by conserving positive attributes and reducing negative aspects, through implementation of landscape guidelines.

Cultural Heritage

To acknowledge the importance of the area's landscape history and through appropriate advice, undertake sensitive management.

To promote the history and cultural heritage of this historic site.

Waste Management

To develop waste management practices which reflect the waste hierarchy - avoid, reduce, re-use and recycle.

To ensure all disposal of hazardous products meets with relevant legislation and best practice.

Energy Management

To develop energy management practices which reflect the use of energy in a sustainable manner - avoid, reduce and improve efficiency.