

Amgueddfa Cymru - Museum Wales: Environmental Policy

Amgueddfa Cymru –Museum Wales is a family of seven museums and a collections centre located across Wales. These are: National Museum Cardiff, National Wool Museum, St Fagans National Museum of History, Big Pit: National Coal Museum, National Waterfront Museum, National Slate Museum, National Roman Legion Museum and National Collections Centre. Entry to all our museums is free thanks to funding from Welsh Government. Amgueddfa Cymru is a charity, established by Royal Charter and a Welsh Government sponsored body.

Amgueddfa Cymru's vision is Inspiring People, Changing Lives. Our Strategy 2030 outlines how we will engage and support communities in creating a better Wales, recognising that everyone has something to contribute through our museums, programmes, collections, and the work we do. It is built around 6 commitments: Make sure everyone is represented; Inspire creativity and learning for life; Help protect and restore nature and the environment; Support wellbeing through inspirational spaces and experiences; Discover and explore the museum digitally; Build global connections.

Amgueddfa Cymru understands that its activities impact upon the environment and its aim is to reduce such impact wherever and whenever possible and annually report our activity to Welsh Government through Net Zero Wales. Although the museum already adopts good environmental practices, this is seen as a baseline from which continual environmental improvement can be developed. We operate a mature environmental management system (EMS) which is independently inspected by the UKAS accredited Tarian Inspection Services against the BS 8555 Environmental Standard / Seren Scheme. As part of our environmental commitments, we will:

- Conduct an environmental review no less often than annually to capture any changes that may have taken place in the intervening period which will feed into our EMS.
- Set clear and verifiable objectives for reducing our major environmental impacts which are energy and resource consumption.
- Develop a documented action plan for achieving such objectives.
- Disseminate throughout the organisation best environmental practice facilitated by internal staff expertise; Raise awareness of Environmental matters through our Public Programmes.
- Produce a documented Pollution Prevention Plan to facilitate our commitment to pollution prevention and the protection of the environment.
- Identify, check, and monitor all of our environmental compliance obligations to ensure they are fulfilled and retained relevant records.
- Ensure environmental monitoring is undertaken to assess progress against objectives to ensure continual improvement of our EMS to enhance environmental performance.
- Publish an annual public Environmental Statement to include our current and future priorities as well as past environmental performance.
- Ensure effective communication channels are in place across the whole organisation to include also persons working on behalf of the organisation.
- Review the whole EMS regularly and take improvement action where necessary.

This Policy acts as the governing document for setting improvements and will consider the views of staff and interested parties. It will be reviewed no less often than annually and revised where necessary.

Signed:



Carol Bell
Trustee (President)

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Janice Lane
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