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## **EMENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

As an organisation that advises on environmental matters and works in the aquatic environment, we have a special duty of care to the environment, and a responsibility to lead by example.

Our main goal is to actively promote aquatic biodiversity, by helping to combat watercourse pollution, improving water quality and creating or restoring aquatic wildlife habitats. For these local improvements to be sustained we must actively encourage a greater understanding of the aquatic environment by our clients, the public and the amenity users of the waters involved, and where possible, provide them with the means to objectively measure the ecological status of their local habitats. At the same time, we must lead by example, by incorporating environmental best practice into all of our activities, by complying fully with environmental legislation and bylaws designed to protect local habitats, and by treading as lightly as possible on the sites we visit.

As part of our duty of care to the wider environment, we will take all reasonable measures to reduce our carbon footprint by minimising energy consumption, and to reduce our consumption of non-renewable resources by designing our products carefully, and re-using and recycling materials where we can.