

TRIRATNA SUSTAINABLE CENTRE SCHEME



The Trustees of this Buddhist Centre have agreed that they wish to make a strong commitment towards becoming a low-carbon, sustainable community. As a spiritual community we take our practice of ethics seriously and it is a consideration in all the decisions we make. In our training within the Triratna community we have always linked our practice of the first precept to a commitment to vegetarianism. However the time has now come when we recognise the need to explicitly extend our practice of ethics to include a global perspective: what we consume and buy has a direct effect on communities across the globe, what we do and how we live now has a direct effect on future generations. This Centre has therefore committed to the 10 Steps of the Triratna Sustainable Centre Scheme:

BECOMING AWARE

1. We have measured the carbon footprint of our Centre and conducted an Energy Audit
2. We have a sustainability champion or kula reporting to the Centre Council

TAKING ACTION

3. We have taken steps to adopting the recommendations of our Energy Audit
4. We have taken steps to become a Fairtrade Centre
5. We have changed the Centre's electricity supplier to 100% Green Energy
6. We are promoting being vegetarian, and a move towards veganism, at the Centre
7. We are promoting public transport and car-sharing to the Centre and retreats
8. We are moving towards a comprehensive recycling policy in the Centre

SPREADING AWARENESS

9. We are displaying this certificate proudly!
10. We take part in BAM (Buddhist Action Month) and asking our Sangha members to take a personal 'Green Precept'

Chair

Signed

Buddhist Centre

Date

For more information:
thebuddhistcentre.com/BAM/sustainable-centre-scheme

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