



## CLAREGALWAY HOTEL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Claregalway Hotel Management and Staff are fully committed to a comprehensive Environmental Policy, which includes effective waste management and responsible practices to reduce electricity, gas, and water consumption.

At the Claregalway Hotel, we care deeply for the environment, and we are constantly introducing environmentally friendly changes to help play our part in protecting our environment. We have made several changes over the years and each time you visit us, we hope you will see others implemented.

We as a team, have decided to embark on the 50 Shades Greener Programme. All our team are currently upskilling in this area and looking forward to seeing changes to our business that will help the environment in a positive way!

### **To date we have reduced our consumption of:**

Landfill Waste by 12%    Food Waste by 26%    Electricity 2%    Gas by 17%    Water by 42%

### **Here are some of the actions we have taken to do our part in protecting and sustaining the environment to date:**

- We have Lossnay Air Handling Units fitted in both our Waterdale Suite and in Bia&Co. These Lossnay Fresh Air Ventilation Systems work by extracting stale air from inside the building to remove damp odours, dust, bacteria, and gasses
- We have successfully upgraded the BMS (Building Management System) and installed a CHP (Combined Heat & Power) unit. Having smart and energy efficient technology allows not only for efficient energy usage but also energy savings and reduced emissions.
- We have installed 3 dual electric car charging points
- Replaced all light bulbs in the hotel with LED bulbs
- The lights in our bedrooms are operated using room key cards
- We have updated the use of single individual bottles for shampoo/conditioner to large refillable bottles
- Use of aerator in Shower Heads & Hippo Bags in Cisterns
- We have removed the use of plastic packaging on slippers in bedrooms
- We have removed the use of plastic straws
- We have a paperless HR process in place
- Large reduction in accounts and front office department paper systems
- Use of Sustainable Bio LPG as our kitchen gas
- Commitment to 100% renewal electricity
- Active member of Repak Ireland

### **Upcoming Plans**

- We are finalising our zoned heating system in our bedrooms
- To fully eliminate Single Use Plastics
- To install sensors for lights in appropriate areas
- Constant monitoring of energy, waste and water use with an aim to continue to reduce, landfill waste by 15%, food waste by 10%, electricity by 10% and gas by 10%, in the next 12 months, whilst maintaining water level reductions in place

The Claregalway Hotel Green Team are committed to continuing our efforts in reducing our environmental impact

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