



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.

The Claregalway Hotel Green Team successfully completed 50 Shades Greener Programme (FSG) in 2022, and we have been awarded FSG Gold Badge in 2022, 2023 and 2024. As we continue our Green Journey into 2025, we will continue to work with FSG. We are currently working on achieving an award within Hospitality Green Business Global Certification and are due to complete our audit for this in late January 2025

All our team are continually upskilling in this area and looking forward to maintaining changes to our business that have helped the environment in a positive way.

Over the past two years we have made the following KPI reductions:

Landfill Waste by 9%, Food Waste by 21%, Recycling by 14%, Energy 10% and Water by 32%

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

- 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 upgraded the BMS (Building Management System) and installed a 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 a zoned heating system in place in all our hotel bedrooms.
- We have installed 3 dual electric car charging points.
- Replaced all light bulbs in the hotel with LED bulbs
- Optimized our laundry practices by maintaining a temp of 60 degrees for towel washes
- Our lights in our bedrooms are operated using room key cards.
- Sensor lights and taps in place in Bia & Co toilet area
- We have updated the use of single small bottles for shampoo/conditioner to large bottles.
- Use of aerator in Shower Heads & use of 6L Cisterns
- Use of pool covers in our leisure centre, Core Fitness, at nighttime to reduce energy consumption and water evaporation
- Our Food and Beverage consumables are reusable, recyclable or decomposable products.
- We have a paperless HR process in place.
- Use of Sustainable Bio LPG as our kitchen gas.
- Commitment to 100% renewal electricity.
- Active member of Repak Ireland.

Upcoming Plans

- To continue to create sustainable awareness amongst employees
- Constant monitoring of energy, waste and water use with an aim to further reduce, landfill waste by a 6%, recycling and food waste by 5%, energy and water by 10% by 10% in the next 12 months.
- To Escalate the install of Solar Photovoltaic with Panels fitted within the next eighteen months.
- To review further use of sensor lights in areas where suitable to install
- To upgrade the air conditioning unit in reception area with oscillating fan distribution air moving evenly across a wider area

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