



CLAREGALWAY HOTEL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Claregalway Hotel Management and Staff are fully committed to an ongoing Environmental Policy focused on reducing environmental impact through sustainable practices in energy, waste, water, and procurement. This commitment is part of our *Green Journey* and aligns with hospitality sustainability standards

1. Environmental Goals & KPIs

The hotel has set measurable targets to improve environmental performance over the next 12 months:

- **Reduce landfill waste** by 6%
- **Increase recycling** (improved segregation and diversion) by 10%
- **Reduce food waste** by 10%
- **Reduce energy consumption** by 10%
- **Maintain water usage**
- **Installation of solar photovoltaic panels** within the next 12 months to boost renewable energy

These targets build on previous reductions achieved in 2025 versus 2024, where the hotel recorded decreases in landfill waste 4%, energy 4% and water 13%

We did see an increase in our food waste by 7% and recycling waste by 19%, which we are working on to reduce

2. Key Environmental Actions

The hotel has implemented practical sustainability measures, including:

Energy & Emissions

- Upgraded Building Management System (BMS)
- Combined Heat & Power (CHP) unit installed
- Zoned heating systems in guest rooms
- Replaced all hotel lighting with LED bulbs
- Commitment to 100% renewable electricity supply
- We have installed 3 dual electric car charging points
- Optimized our laundry practices by maintaining a temp of 60 degrees for towel washes
- We have a towel and linen re-use programme in place
- Plans for solar panel installation to expand clean energy generation

Water & Waste

- Sensor taps and lighting in public restrooms
- Shower head and tap aerators, along with water-saving cisterns
- Pool covers to reduce heat/water loss in the leisure centre
- Strong recycling and waste segregation throughout the hotel
- Elimination of single small toiletry bottles in favour of refillable larger containers
- We have a paperless HR process in place.

Guest & Staff Engagement

- Encourage guests to help reduce, reuse and recycle during their stay, through our towel and linen re-use programme and bin segregation in place throughout the hotel
- Staff training on sustainability practices
- Green Team is responsible for regular environmental monitoring and improvements

Claregalway Hotel was awarded the Gold Level in Hospitality Green Business Global Certification in 2025 and is currently working on achieving this award again in 2026

Upcoming Plans

- To continue to create sustainable awareness amongst employees
- Constant monitoring of energy, waste and water use with an aim to meet our Environmental Goals and KPI's, as detailed above, within the next 12 months.
- Escalate the installation of Solar Photovoltaic with Panels fitted within the next twelve months.
- Upgrade of the second air conditioning unit in the reception area with an oscillating fan distributing air movement evenly across a wider area. within the next 12 months.

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

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