

Garter Lane Arts Centre CLG

Environmental Management Statement

Targets & Objectives

Garter Lane Arts Centre 1st opened in 1984 and operates over two buildings in the heart of Waterford City's O'Connell St, 5 & 22a respectively.

The centre sees over 35,000 visitors annually who participate and engage with a full year round multidisciplinary programme, including but not exclusive to Theatre, Dance, Music and cinematic presentation. Educational workshops, events, talks and screenings. Theatre and Dance residencies. Visual arts exhibitions, talks and professional development programming. Bespoke Children's arts activities including standalone Childrens festival SprÓg. For more information go to: garterlane.ie

"We recognise that our organisation has an important role to play in protecting and enhancing the environment. We recognise that our organisation has a duty to understand its own environmental impact and to help secure the long-term sustainability of the Arts community"

To this end the Garter Lane Arts Centre CLG is committed to taking the following action;

- To achieve sound environmental practices across our entire operation
- To comply fully with all relevant legislation
- To minimise our waste and reduce our water consumption where possible
- To reduce, Reuse, Recycle the resources consumed by our business wherever practical
- To invite our customers, suppliers and contractors to participate in our efforts to protect the environment
- To provide all employees with the training and resources required to meet our objectives
- To openly communicate our policies and practices to interested parties
- To monitor and record our environmental impacts on a regular basis and compare our performance with our policies, objectives and targets"
- To support the sustainability endeavours of artists producers and promoters who are presenting in our venue(s)
- To make all our resident artists aware of our aims in respect of our sustainability goals

Major Deliverable Targets & Objectives For Garter Lane Arts Centre CLG

Energy

To reduce our Energy consumption by 10% in 2023 over 2022 and reduce Carbon Emissions by 4Tonnes

Waste

To reduce our overall send to landfill by implementing a strictly observed recycling system across both buildings

Green Purchasing

To increase usage of recycled paper products to 30% of all paper/cardboard purchased

Goals achieved to date since 2021

80% reduction in Print output (no Printed Programme Brochures) All digital content + some supplementary materials.

Complete refit of all lighting in Theatre Gallery Building to LED (except for the stage lighting)

Insulate the Theatre roof and Barker house, No. 5 O'Connell St completely (Completed)

We fitted 11kw of solar panels to the Theatre (Completed)

This Statement was approved by the Board Of Garter Lane Arts Centre on Dec 11th 2023