

WESTPORT PLAZA HOTEL

CASTLECOURT HOTEL

WESTPORT COAST

GREEN HOSPITALITY PROMISE

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Every individual matters, Every individual has a role to play, Every individual makes a difference.

- DR. JANE GOODALL

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OUR PROMISE

To invest in resources, to educate our staff and inform our guests on how we can make a positive change and choices which will benefit the environment.

We are committed in implementing change that will actively manage our environmental footprint and take specific action to minimize energy consumption, water consumption and reduce waste to landfill.

We have and will continue to invest in operations and procedures We have an environmental plan with targets in place and we are compliant with all related legislation. We aim to minimize waste and water consumption wherever possible while promoting reuse and recycle operations.

The Westport Hotel Group are proud to be recognized as a Green Hospitality hotel and we welcome you to join our green journey during your stay with us.

We are the main sponsors of many local sporting clubs such as Westport Gaa whom are Mayo senior county champions, Westport Rugby football club whom are Connacht junior champions and Westport united for FAI Ireland junior champions, Ballintuber Gaa and many more.

We are delighted to support many local causes and to contribute to the development of our local community. As a family run hotel group, we care about the people and the places around us, and we are always ready to help those who make a difference.

We are very grateful for the support of our local community, and happy to show our support and appreciation in return. We believe that together we can make Westport and the region a better place for everyone.

OUR CHANGE

ENERGY SAVING

We have been part of the Green Hospitality Programme for many years and are already well advanced in energy efficiency measures having a Combined heat and power generator in each hotel. Our carbon saving based on recent March 2022 data from the 3 CHP units is 150,000 co2 kg per year. We have engaged with consultants and submitted an EXEED application form for stage 1 - Professional services and will follow up with 2 further applications for the other properties a copy of which I have the details attached. It is our intention to follow through with the recommendations over the following 18 months.

We have a Green Presentation for all new employee starters asking all staff to think green and conserve energy and ongoing training for all departments.

We record all water/electric usage by all hotels and compare figures to spot leaks and unusual spikes.

We have 12 electric car points between the 3 hotels.

Removed 170 baths in our group and put in flow reduced showers / sinks & toilets.

The 3 hotels are almost fully LED now.

We follow the LEAN principle when purchasing for the hotels.

We have nearly removed all small single use plastics for the bathrooms.

Night auditors have energy checks to help reduce energy wastage.

Management energy reduction monthly meetings

H&S officer walks all 3 building to spot and help reduce waste where possible

100% of the electricity supplied to The Westport Hotel Group isgenerated from renewable resources by GO power.

Reducing our carbon footprint with Centrica, a combined heat and power system.

Targeting 5% decrease in waste and water usage for 2024.

Our hotels are up to date with the latest in low energy LED lighting, but we still look for ways to reduce unnecessary usage. We have timers and sensors installed in public corridors to ensure lights are not on longer than needed but with no impact on our guests Sensor operated Leisure Centre Showers.

Sensor hand washing taps in public restrooms.

Key card activation of electricity in bedrooms.

Green training and resources to employees.

Electric car charging points.

REDUCING WASTE

No plastic straws or cups used in the group.

QR codes for menus and guests information.

Offering e invoice to guests on check out.

Email confirmation and correspondence to guests.

Responsible marketing using ezines and text messages.

Refill Irish toiletry products in guest rooms and public restrooms.

We aim to recycle all we can at the hotel and reduce our water waste by lowering flow rates in taps and showers

INSPIRING

Encouraging guests to reuse linen and towels during their stay. Free collection and drop off to train and bus station to Golden Year guests. Recycling bin in guest bedrooms.

We fully encourage our team to avail of the bike to work scheme and provide safe lockup areas for them to leave their bikes while at work and we are accredited members of Cycle Friendly Westport.

NATURE

Contribution to the substantial conservation of Croagh Patrick and local amenities.

Bird Bath. - Insect Hotel. - Cultivated Wild Gardens grown.

YOUR CHANGE

During your stay we encourage you to make a green choice and help us to make a difference to our environment.

REDUCE

Use air-conditioning only when necessary and with windows closed. Remove key card when leaving your room so as to reduce our carbon foot print.

Return key cards to reception on check out so they can be reused.

Avoid unnecessary or prolonged running of taps and showers.

Please use the half flush option or out dual flush toilet cisterns when possible.

Take a shower instead of a bath.

Avoid running taps constantly when brushing teeth or shaving.

Avoid leaving lights on when not required.

Use a qr code app to read our menus and guest information.

REUSE

If you wish to have towels replaced please place them in the bath.

RECYCLE

Put all Recyclable materials in the bedroom bin and all other in the bathroom.

Hand in used batteries at reception and we will ensure they are recycled.