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Climate Policy

We at Baboró International Arts Festival for Children strive to promote good practice in all our work. Whilst we do not have an environmental remit, we recognise that we have environmental responsibilities and therefore operate our office, as far as practicable, in a way that conserves the natural environment. We are committed to reducing our environmental impact and strive to continually improve our performance as an integral part of our business strategy and operating methods.

It is our priority to ensure our environmental policy is implemented, and we actively encourage all staff, audience and stakeholders to adopt a responsible approach toward the impact of their actions on the environment.

We are working to become greener in our activities, and become part of a growing network of arts and culture organisations trying to reduce their environmental impact. We are currently participating in the Naturally Wild Festivals Consortium, a pilot scheme to design a creative process to ethically and positively offset festivals' environment impact through rewilding, native tree planting and conservation.

Baboró's <u>2023 - 2027 Strategic Plan</u> outlines our commitment to sustainability and the environment.

2023 - 2027 Strategic Goal 4:

The environmental and biodiversity crisis will be reflected in the way we work and the stories we tell.

Objectives:

- Develop an Environmental Sustainability Policy that will guide our work.
- Embed sustainability practices in our operations and events in order to minimise our environmental impact.

• Our creative programmes will reflect children's curiosity and passion for the world around them.

In 2024, we established a Green team with staff & board members tasked with leading on the development and delivery of Baboró's sustainability policy & plan. We will also establish an external advisory group to meet twice a year to support Baboró's green team.

The aims of our policy are to:

- Wholly support and exceed all relevant regulatory requirement
- Increase our energy efficiency
- Reduce, and recycle the waste produced by our operations
- Reduce water consumption
- Encourage the use of low environmental impact methods of transport
- Purchase products and services which do the least damage to the environment, where
- possible, and encourage others to do the same.
- Measure, record and continually reduce the carbon footprint of the organisation