

## Environmental Policy



An Táin Arts Centre is committed to becoming an eco-friendly venue and we are working to ensure that we operate in a sustainable way, minimising waste and adhering to best practice. We work closely with Louth County Council, who operate our building to address operational issues that impact climate change and implement sustainable practices. We have identified a number of ways to reduce our carbon footprint by addressing issues such as energy usage, waste management, biodiversity, and water usage.

### **Areas that have already been addressed at An Táin Arts Centre include:**

- Electricity usage through updates of building lighting to LED and investment in new LED stage lights.
- Heating usage through the installation of zoned heating controls and upgrade of exit doors.
- Waste reduction by the procurement of sustainable products in our bar and review of waste management systems to reduce waste to landfill.
- Our participation in the OPW's Optimising Power @ Work campaign has yielded significant energy reductions.
- Louth County Council 2 new solar panel systems now increasing the installed capacity to 30kW.
- Paperless office, all files are kept digitally
- Online meetings, we have more digital meetings with our visiting companies to reduce carbon emissions
- Our staff clean, dry and sort through our recyclable waste. This includes the rubbish left in the auditorium after a show
- Our single-use coffee cups and lids are now compostable and these get added to An Táin Arts Centre's brown bin each week.
- Materials usage – Through careful planning and monitoring the distribution of our printed promotional materials, we have identified the minimum number we need to print and distribute in order to have maximum impact. We also testing alternative methods to traditional print and do not post out printed programmes to audiences to reduce waste.
- Reusing and recycling theatre equipment and ensuring all equipment purchased is energy efficient.



- Ensuring that processes and practices used in creating arts activity are environmentally sustainable and have the lowest carbon footprint possible.
- Development of our Environmental Policy and Action plan.

**Contact us**

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