

For the purpose of this policy the following terms are;

You- "individual", "group", "person" or "client"

Equine Connect- "Equine-Connect" "we" "our/selves) "us"

### **Sustainability & Environment Policy**

At Equine-Connect we are committed to making a positive change to our environment. Through a variety of means we actively encourage our staff and clients to think about how their actions effect the environment and challenge individuals to act sustainably. We love animals and nature; our aim is to our conduct business with the least negatively impactful means possible.

We endeavour to;

- Include environmental factors when making business decisions
- Improve & reduce environmental impacts
- Champion positive environmental change

Our policy includes;

- Using rain water collected in a well to supply the business/ animals with water (except drinking water which is mains supplied)
- Separating waste into non/recyclable
- Recycling any materials possible to reduce waste/ landfill. Including broken equipment (where safe to do so) being repurposed
- We use solar-powered electric for our fencing
- The energy consumption and efficiency of new products is and will continue to be considered when purchasing
- Lights and electrical equipment are switched off when not in use
- We do not needlessly print documents, instead we use emails/ online documentation as often as feasibly possible
- We encourage sharing transport or the use of public transport/ cycling where appropriate
- We use local labour and materials for any developments, to reduce CO2 and help the local community
- We support local stores and produce, buying reused and recycled products where possible
- We continue to monitor our environmental impact and
- We continue to evaluate how we can improve our sustainability and reduce waste
- We encourage the growth of flora and fauna on site to promote wildlife and help to protect many species