

Cairdeas na hFidléirí

Climate Action & Environmental Policy

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Purpose

The purpose of this Climate Action and Environmental Policy Cairdeas na bhFidléirí is to ensure adherence of the highest standards in promoting and raising awareness of climate change and environmental impact issues through the artistic medium of traditional fiddle music.

Organisation and Aims

Cairdeas na bhFidiléirí is a not for profit traditional Arts Development organisation. Our mission statement is simple – we aim to:

- strengthen Donegal fiddle playing at its roots
- improve standards of fiddle playing
- promote inclusive participation in all aspects of Donegal fiddle music
- encourage the transmission of the Donegal styles and repertoire

Relevance of Climate Change and Environmental Action

We are fortunate to live and work in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Much of the material we support and work with has been inspired by the environment and we recognise the importance and value of preserving the environment and combating climate change and its causes. We have, and will continue, to emphasize the direct connection between our musical culture and the environment which has inspired it greatly.

Organisational Aims

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We aim to include positive environmental awareness through its direct connection with the repertoire we document, promote and actively pass on. We intend to continue leaving an absolute minimum trace of our activities in every event we organize.

Impacts and Influencing

As we do not own any property, our actions and impacts on positive climate change and environmental awareness are as influencers. We do and will continue to do this through stressing the connection between our traditional culture and the beautiful environment from which it sprang and was inspired. We also strive to use event venues that have a positive Environmental / Climate Change policy and physical resources / facilities.

Practical Objectives

We will continue to emphasise the value of a clean environment and an awareness of the negative impacts of climate change through our performances and teaching. In brief, we can contribute to raising awareness and the need to protect our environment.

Priorities

Our priorities are attaining a greater awareness, appreciation and respect for our environment as well as understanding the need to address the negative effects of climate change on a global scale.

Responsibilities and Policy Review

The Chairman of the Board is responsible for this Policy Statement and it will be reviewed annually at our August meeting of the Board.

Key Roles

All Board and Committee members hold a responsibility to uphold and promote the aims of this Policy. Our stakeholders are the wider community of people in County Donegal in the first instance as well as the Arts Council and other partners with whom we have a strategic development role.

Underlying Principles

Certainly foundation principles of Cairdeas na bhFidiléirí which impact on this Policy are transparency, inclusivity, respect, transparency throughout our actions as well as communication with our various partnering organisations.

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