

## Green Purchasing Policy

Through our operations, Arcadian Living will work to conserve non-renewable resources and prevent environmental damage by using resources, without compromising the environment. Our aim is to base our purchasing policy on avoiding the use of environmentally damaging products and services, where an alternative is available, and promote the use of the least environmentally damaging products and services up and down our supply chain.

### Arcadian Living is committed to the following;

- 🌍 Reducing the purchasing of new products by cutting down on waste and repairing or reducing the use of existing product.
- 🌍 Products with a recognised environmental standard, lower risk to the environment, human health and with equal performance will always be given preference.
- 🌍 Chemicals that appear on the UK 'Red List' or the EU 'Black List' will not be purchased or used.
- 🌍 The purchase of all aerosols should be avoided (even when they do not contain CFC/HCFC propellants). Wherever possible refillable hand sprays will be bought instead.
- 🌍 Vehicles and machinery will be selected that will be of the most energy efficient types, and operated in an energy efficient manner.
- 🌍 Preference must be given to the purchase of the least environmentally harmful fuel available.
- 🌍 Identify products whose packaging can be, or has previously been recycled.
- 🌍 Encourage and promote the purchase of locally produced products or services of local companies, where there are no legislative restrictions, to reduce the impact of transport on the environment.
- 🌍 Trees, plants, seeds and bulbs must be from cultivated stock, ideally from within the UK.
- 🌍 The purchase of peat and peat-based products is to be avoided and the use of the least environmentally damaging peat substitute and soil conditioners is to be favoured.