

Brasted Parish Council

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

This Environmental Policy was reviewed and adopted by the Council at its Meeting held on 8 June 2020.

Brasted Parish Council will support the long-term environmental, cultural and economic health and vitality of the Parish. It will promote a high-quality environment in the Parish and communities that are vibrant, safe, healthy and inclusive.

In its administration and activities, it will seek to protect and enhance:

- The special landscape quality of the Parish and access to the countryside
- The quality of the built environment and heritage features
- Biodiversity including habitats and protected species
- Parish services and local employment opportunities
- Valued green spaces within the Parish, including village greens, and opportunities for recreation including sports and children's play
- The character, identity and rural setting of the Parish
- Safety for all road users including pedestrians, especially around issues of speeding vehicles and air pollution

In addition the Council will:

- Seek to conserve resources where practicable
- Aim to reduce soil, water, air, light and noise pollution, littering and fly-tipping
- Promote non-motorised transport
- Raise the profile of environmental issues, within the Parish
- Encourage volunteering and the reporting of environmental issues
- Review planning policies and proposals affecting the Parish and their likely environmental impacts and respond as appropriate
- Engage with local environmental agencies, councils and planning authorities