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green impact

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We've signed up to the: Green Impact for health toolkit!

Water

Prescribing

Travel and Exercise

Quality
improvement

Zero carbon

News and
communication

Food and drinks

Vulnerable groups

Energy saving

Healthy planet

Waste and
recycling

Learning

Social Prescribing

What does this mean for the Practice?

- We'll be considering these different areas (on the left) in and around the practice and thinking of ways we can make improvements to reduce our impact and improve our sustainability. Some of the things we'll be focusing on are:
 - **Inhaler recycling**
 - **Active transport solutions**
 - **Energy efficiency**
 - **Social prescribing**
- We'll be encouraging **staff** and **patients** to think about how they can bring **greener practices** into their day to day lives.
- We'll be keeping you up to date with our progress on the website and around the practice – and we'd love to hear your stories too.

Why are we doing this?

- The key message of the Lancet Countdown report in 2019 summarises why this is important:

'The life of every child born today will be profoundly affected by **climate change**, with populations around the world increasingly facing **extremes of weather, food and water insecurity, changing patterns of infectious disease** and a **less certain future**. Without action, this new era will come to define the health of **people at every stage of their lives**.'

- As health professionals, we have a responsibility to work in the best interests of all our patients. The climate crisis is the **biggest public health issue** we are facing and we believe it is essential to make changes in order to work towards a **better, healthier future for all**.

