

**MELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL
Green Policy**

The following objectives will be given full consideration in all Parish Council operations and decisions –

- To reduce paper use- wherever practical, electronic communications, email and Internet, will be used to distribute documents. Recycled paper and double-sided printing will be used wherever possible.
- To endeavour to ensure that low energy technologies, lighting and power will be used in all new and existing public buildings and open spaces throughout the village, where this is practicable and does not compromise safety.
- To seek ways to reduce light pollution throughout the village. All Parish Council lighting and power will be switched off when the office is not in use.
- To encourage tree planting on open spaces. In planning matters it will encourage the retention of as many trees as possible. If trees have to be cut down for development purposes then it will recommend that replacements be planted.
- To promote Safer Routes to School to encourage green forms of transport and to seek the provision of new footpaths and cycle paths around the village.
- In planning matters to seek to maximise employment opportunities within the village to enable the use of green forms of transport and help minimise traffic movements.
- To minimise water usage in all public places and request that water conservation be considered in all planning applications.
- To provide sufficient allotment land to satisfy local demand and provide additional land for use by local schools/organisations to promote healthy lifestyles projects.
- To encourage and promote the use of Green technologies, waste reduction and opportunities for recycling by the whole community through its website and the village magazine.

__The Chairman – Bob Tulloch__

September 2015_____

Chairman

Date