



The New Forest Green Leaf Tourism Business Scheme



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Cosy Cottage

The New Forest Green Leaf Tourism Business Scheme encourages and assists member businesses in their journey towards delivering a responsible net zero business operation. Whether Bronze, Silver or Gold, the New Forest's Green Leaf businesses provide a credible collective strategy which aims to help the New Forest become the UK's greenest destination. A summary of the steps this business is taking can be found below.

Responsible Travel

Provide literature promoting New Forest Tour and public transport

New Forest Tour information in the property.

Provide literature promoting walking/cycling routes and cycle hire information

Cycle hire information and several walking/cycling maps and information provided.

Cycle-friendly facilities for visitors and staff (bike racks/cycle sheds, showers etc.)

Large secure shed provided as well as showers in the property.

Responsible Visiting

Include Responsible Visiting information in Guest Welcome Pack on arrival/in room

New Forest Code prominently displayed.

Provide low cost or free hire on visitor 'equipment' such as picnic baskets, umbrellas or creative options such as seeded ponchos or welcome seed packs to take home

Umbrellas and picnic items provided.

Provide refillable water containers

Jugs and cups provided for refilling.

Eco dog poo bags available to guests

Always provide eco dog poo bags.

Direct guests to sustainable pages on www.thenewforest.co.uk

Recommend guests to check thenewforest website prior to arrival.

Energy Efficiency

Building/s insulated and draft-proofed

Property is fully insulated and damp proofed with full double glazing throughout.

Minimum 80% of lighting is LED

LED lights used throughout the property.

In the absence of motion sensor lighting, lights off when not required

We encourage guests to turn off lights when they leave a room.

Waste, Water and Recycling

Split recycling bins provided in all office and guest accommodation

We provide a separate recycling bin with a label explaining what can be recycled. Also provide glass bags for recycling.

Reduction of single-use plastics (e.g. no plastic straws, no earbuds, no sample-sized washing products)

We do not leave any single use plastics for guests.

Reduce water usage (e.g. water-efficient toilet cisterns, shower heads, taps)

We have the dual flush toilets fitted and economical showers.

Use Rainwater collection

There is a water butt in the garden which is used for watering the plants etc.

Reduce washing, e.g. replace towels less frequently

Towels are only replaced on changeover days.

Printer cartridges recycled with print company

My office printer cartridges are sent for recycling.

Only recycled printing paper used

As most communications are via email I use the recycled paper for my own hard copies when necessary.

Supporting Local Business

Go New Forest Card on key fobs for use by guests

We have the Go New Forest key fob on both sets of keys.

Promote GNF Card offers to guests

I always advise guests to check the appropriate offers on the website.