

Ymddiriedolaeth GIG Gwasanaethau Ambiwlans Cymru Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust

## **Environmental Policy Statement**

The Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust (the Trust) has a number of environmental aspects and obligations that if not carefully managed could have significant financial and environmental impacts.

Trust Board is committed to maintaining an Environmental Governance System (EGS) certified to ISO14001:2015, which commits the Trust to continual environmental improvement by upholding the following key principles within the defined scope:

Compliance with applicable legal and other identified obligations

Identifying the needs and expectations of interested parties and which of these requirements should be included in our compliance obligations

**P**rotecting the environment by preventing pollution and introducing sustainable operational practices that take into consideration the context of the Trust, supply chain and life cycle consequences

**C**ommunicating the policy statement to all staff and making the statement available to contractors working for the Trust, interested parties and the public

Identification and evaluation of all significant harmful and beneficial environmental aspects

Implementation of suitable control procedures, covering normal, abnormal and emergency operating conditions affecting the Trust and its neighbours

**S**etting environmental objectives aimed at reducing harmful environmental impacts and capitalising on the beneficial impacts in line with the Trust's policies and the needs and expectations of interested parties

Inclusion of the staff and contractors working on the Trust's behalf through awareness initiatives, appropriate training and competence evaluations

**R**egular documented information reviews, environmental system and compliance audits in order to continually improve the EGS to enhance environmental performance

**R**egular reviews of the EGS, by an Environmental Working Group. The Director with responsibility will formally review the effectiveness of the EGS at an annual Management Review Meeting.

Chief Executive

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