Climate Emergency Plan (Updated 6 June 2023)



Foreword

The 2018 IPCC report on Climate Change states that we have already caused a 1°C rise in global temperature. The difference between the impacts of global warming of 2°C and 1.5°C is much greater than previously thought and we are currently heading for a catastrophic 3°C rise. We are running out of time, and need to get to Zero Carbon emissions by 2030.

Growing numbers of tourism businesses are declaring a Climate Emergency. This is a non binding commitment partly symbolic, but is a genuine commitment to work towards a specific measurable target. It might seem that The Roost Glamping can't really do much, but by declaring a climate emergency as policy we could start by acknowledging the problem, and accepting that action is needed.

Climate change is relevant to many of our activities. By creating, maintaining and further enriching the biodiversity of the glamping meadows; reducing waste; reducing single use plastic; recycling; generating & consuming green energy and contributing 5% of our pre tax profits to environmental charities, we feel we can make a difference and this could also be a route towards a carbon neutral business.

Everyone has a duty to address the negative impacts of climate breakdown.

So we have declared a Climate Emergency and produced this plan with measures already in place, areas for improvement and deadlines for further actions and initiatives.

Lorraine Robinson Owner The Roost Luxury Cabins

What The Roost Lxurury Cabins will do:

Putting climate and nature at the heart of the business

Our goal is to ensure that the climate and nature emergencies are a deal-breaker in all our decisions so that we can drastically cut emissions over the next 10 years and ensure that the changes made are sustainable. We will...

Status

Climate Emergency	Climate Emergency Declared on website	Complete	
Climate Emergency	Climate Emergency Plan published on website	Complete	
Single Use Plastic	Encourage guests, via our website & Touchstay Digital Guestbook to use our refillable toiletries and by "loose & local" to reduce soft plastic packaging		Ongoing
Single Use Plastic	Review all business purchasing to eliminate all single plastic usage.		Ongoing
Recycling	Maximise onsite recycling with hand sorting of all rubbish:	Complete	
	Food waste into tumbling composters		
	Glass, paper, cardboard and tins/cans recycled.		
	Tetrapack, coffee cups & Pringle tubes recycled.		
Recycling	Include a recycling guide with local information in the cabins' "Welcome Folders".	Complete	
Waste	We are committed "Guardians of Grub" and requesting guests do not throw away usable food waste.	Complete	
Paperfree	We will become a completely paperless business with the introduction of "Touchstay" digital guestbook	Complete	

Energy	Use a green energy supplier	Complete	
Biodiversity	Adhere to Lighting Strategy where dark corridors are preserved and minimal external lighting levels fall below below 0.1 lux	Complete	
Financial	Local Charity 'Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust' supported with online donations when booking.		
Buildings	Siting solar panels on the SW Elevation of barn & bike store to generate approximately 7kw electricity per annum		
Buildings	Rainwater harvesting – to feed washing machine & toilet flushing on main barn building	Complete	
Buildings	Achieve an EPC A rating on the conversation of the site barn.	Complete	
Buildings	Achieve an EPC rating of B on the cabins		By end of 2023
Buildings	Living roofs on cabins	Complete	
Transport	Installation of a double socket Electric Vehicle Charging Point	Complete	
Transport	Construction of a bike shed with racks for six cycles and with two charging points for e-bikes	Complete	
Transport	Encourage guests to use "active travel" (walking & cycling).		

Buy Local	All "Little Extras" supplied to guests sourced from local producers.	Complete	
Buy Local	Encourage guests to buy local via the Touchstay digital guestbook	Complete	
Influencing Others	Inform and motivate guests to help us achieve our environmental goals via website, Touchstay and social media postings	Ongoing	
Land & nature	Create wildflower meadow	Complete	
Land & Naature	Maintain wildflower meadow with manual scything, raking and weeding.	Ongoing	
Land & Nature	Twice yearly grazing of bat mitigation area to encourage invertebrates	Ongoing	
Land use & nature	Ensure existing trees and hedgerows are properly protected and maintained	Ongoing	
Land use & nature	Double tree cover in order to store carbon, support nature, aid flood protection and protect meadow from any surrounding light spill.	Complete	
Land use & nature	Plants a further 200 native hedgerow whips behind The Nook Cabin to further support nature, aid flood protection and protect meadow from surrounding light spill	Complete	
Land use & nature	Create a wildlife pond in cabin meadow	Complete	
Land use & nature	Build a further wildlife pond within the bat mitigation area		By end of 2023
Land use & nature	Add logs to meadow waste piles and existing hibernaculums to further enhance suitability for an increased number of species	Complete	