



Horwood House

Your Green Place in the Country

At Horwood House, we are deeply aware of our responsibilities to the environment, our team and the local community. We are on a meaningful journey to embed sustainability and ethical practices into every corner of our business, under our initiative: Your Green Place in the Country.

Our Principles & Values

Our company values are the foundation of how we operate and grow. They guide our decisions, shape our culture, and support our vision for a sustainable future.

CARING | We grow responsibly, considering the unique setting of our hotel and working to ensure our operations benefit the local area long-term. We actively reduce our environmental impact through waste management, recycling, and energy efficiency.

RESPECTFUL | Integrity drives every decision. We align our actions with our strategic goals to benefit our team, guests, the local area and the environment.

AUTHENTIC | We remain honest, transparent, ethical and environmentally conscious in all our business practices.

FAIR | We uphold global standards of ethical conduct, champion equality, and promote mutual respect.

TRANSFORMING | We embrace innovation and adapt to changing times to enhance the guest experience in meaningful and thoughtful ways that support environmental and social goals.



Our Green Vision:

To be the most sustainable, environmentally responsible hotel in Buckinghamshire, whilst preserving our heritage.

Sustainable Operations & Green Innovations

Our sustainability strategy is practical and far-reaching:

Energy Conservation | LED lighting, motion sensors in low-use areas, reduced spotlight usage, and carefully monitored heating, lighting and air conditioning help us reduce energy waste.

Smart Resource Use | We minimise packaging through bulk purchasing, limit single-use plastics and supply reusable glass bottles in bedrooms and meeting spaces.

Waste Management | Cooking oil is recycled, all waste is sorted for recycling and stationery is reused. We've also introduced a bottle crusher and cardboard compactor to optimise space, reducing the frequency of waste collections and lowering our carbon footprint.

Eco-Friendly Choices | From bamboo door keys and hangers to refillable, eco-friendly & vegan toiletries and energy-efficient equipment - sustainability is in mind for every purchase.

Guest Engagement | Guests have the option to skip a room refresh during their stay, and for every night skipped, we donate a hot meal to Crisis, the national homelessness charity. To date, we're proud to have donated over £20,000 to support their essential work.

Garden Growing | We've been restoring the estate's orchard, planting thousands of bulbs and investing in drought loving plants to conserve water and attract a diverse range of insects and pollinators with blooming flowers.

Wildlife Enhancing | In partnership with Urban Bee-lievers, we are proud to host an active beehive on our estate, home to over 25,000 bees, contributing to local biodiversity and supporting important pollination efforts.

Sourcing Local & Supporting the Community

We actively participate in and support our community through:

Sponsoring **Mursley United Football Club** with full kits and hosting family events.

Collaborating with **Urban Bee-lievers** to introduce beehives and offer work experience opportunities to young people facing educational challenges.

Supporting local events with volunteers and prizes.

Hosting charity days, including refurbishing spaces for **The Medical Detection Dogs** centre.

Featuring furniture from **ROUGHSTUFF OAK**, supporting ex-offenders' rehabilitation.

The vintage china used for our Afternoon Tea is sourced from local charities and given a new lease of life.

We're passionate about working with local suppliers - from beetroot to gin - ensuring freshness and reducing impact from transportation. Our staff's local knowledge enriches guest experiences while lowering environmental footprints.



A photograph of the Crisis Charity Coffee Lounge interior. It features a long wooden table, a lamp, and framed artwork on the wall.

Crisis Charity Coffee Lounge

In partnership with Crisis and Recoup, we've transformed a meeting space into the Crisis Charity Coffee Lounge - a creative and upcycled haven for delegates and local co-workers.

Every cup of coffee sold contributes 15% directly to Crisis. Plus, our guests help support this initiative simply by choosing not to have their rooms serviced, and the equivalent one hot meal is donated.



Looking Ahead: Growing with Purpose

We've moved beyond compliance, engaging independent environmental specialists to guide our growth. Our team is dedicated to continuous learning and measurable improvement in our sustainability performance.

From restoring our orchard and planting bulbs to installing EV charging stations and enhancing biodiversity, we are building a better future for generations to come.

As our owner stated:

"I am very keen for Horwood House to become a staple of the community. I would like to support where we can as my vision for Horwood House is not just to be profitable but to become a hub for the community and to grow our support for national, regional and local institutions that do good for the wider community."

We are committed to delivering

Hospitality from the Heart

at your green place in the country.

A decorative illustration of reeds or tall grasses in the bottom right corner.