

**NWIFCA Quarterly Meeting:  
21<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**REPORT NO.  
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**NWIFCA ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

**Purpose:** To set out a new overarching strategic environmental and sustainability policy for the Authority.

**Recommendations:** 1. Members vote to approve the policy.

As a modern environmental regulator and public body, it is incumbent on the Authority to have an environmental policy in place that sets out some guiding principles for officers as to how the organisation will be ran to limit its negative impacts upon the environment, including carbon emissions, resource procurement, lifecycle thinking, pollution, energy performance and waste. The attached draft policy was drafted by our newly designated Green Officer, Robin Love (IFCO, Barrow). The policy has been written to conform with the ISO1400 environmental management system (EMS), which is a sound foundation on which to implement a formal EMS if we so wish to. If approved by members, this policy will be used as a basis upon which to implement environmentally sensitive practices going forward and to develop more specific guidelines around limiting our environmental impact.

Robin has began drafting an outline implementation plan in anticipation of this policy being approved.

*Mark Taylor, North Western IFCA CEO, 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024.*