



Responsible Visitor Charter

As part of the City of Edinburgh Council we are working towards making Scotland one of the worlds' most eco-friendly destinations. As individuals and organisations, we have a responsibility to reduce our negative impact on the environment. Please do all you can to help us conserve our natural assets and become one of the most sustainable venues in Scotland.

- **Conserve energy** – Reduce energy by switching off the lights in rooms when you leave and close windows if heating is on. While lifts are essential for some visitors, many visitors could use the stairs instead. This is not only better for you, but also reduces the amount of energy needed to power venue lifts and escalators.
- **Shop locally**– Buy local products – food, drinks, arts and crafts - they give you a flavour of Scotland whilst supporting local communities. This also reduces the impact of transport on the environment. Further information, including local interests is available from our reception.
- **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle** – A substantial effort is being made by our team at the Assembly Rooms to reduce, reuse and recycle. Please assist us by avoiding over packaged goods and saying “no thanks!” to that extra carrier bag. Recycle any waste you have at the recycling points provided throughout the venue.
- **Give the car a Rest** – Leave the car behind, if only for a day, Walk, cycle or use public transport.
- **Be Water Wise** – Please use water wisely.
- **Respect Nature** – help us to look after our landscape and wildlife by not littering and depositing all refuse in bins or at the recycling points provided. Use footpaths and cycle-ways around the centre responsibly.
- **Support Green Tourism Businesses** – There are hundreds of businesses trying to reduce their environmental impacts through the Green Tourism Business Scheme. See www.green-business.co.uk for more information.

Have a great time whilst you are at the Assembly Rooms!