Our Sustainability
At Nottingham Venues, everything we do has sustainability in mind. As a business we are committed to reducing our environmental impact and doing our bit to make a difference. We don't have it all figured out just yet but we are taking the right steps and bringing our team with us.

Both of our hotels were built with sustainability at the forefront, with The Orchard Hotel rated BREEM excellent and over the years we have received numerous awards and accreditations.

We are also incredibly lucky to be located within the Green Flag awarded grounds of University of Nottingham.

We constantly monitor our energy, water, food waste and recycling to reduce our impact on the environment and are always looking for new ways to improve.
OUR AWARDS & ACCREDITATIONS

BREEAM EXCELLENT
The Orchard hotel is rated BREEAM EXCELLENT

ECO SMART
We are proud to have been awarded Ecosmart silver and we hope to achieve gold within the next 12 months

Green Meetings
We are currently in the process of completing our green meetings accreditation

Business Masters 2022
We are proud to have won the sustainability award
OUR ENERGY

SOLAR PANELS
The Orchard Hotel has 60 square metres of photovoltaic panels

LIGHTS
The majority of our rooms have motion-sensitive lighting and LED bulbs

LAUNDRY
We have an energy saving laundry system in place through a laundry contractor with eco credentials
OUR ENERGY

GREEN ROOFS
The Orchard Hotel has wild biodiverse green roof gardens to increase heat retention

KEY CARDS
Management of key cards to minimise energy consumption

ROOM CLEANING
We offer guests the option to opt-out of room cleaning
OUR RECYCLING

BEDROOMS
We encourage guests to separate their mixed recycling waste, which is then collected and sorted by our housekeeping team.

WASTE MANAGEMENT
We work closely with our waste management company to monitor and improve our recycling rates.

GUEST AREAS
General waste and mixed recycling bins are offered in all of our guest areas.
Our toilets are fitted with valves to reduce water flow. The Jubilee Hotel & Conferences use water recycled from the lake. All our properties have dual flush toilets fitted.

We have what we like to call 'hydration stations' so guests can enjoy complimentary water at every venue.
OUR BUILDINGS

BREEAM CERTIFICATION

The Orchard Hotel is certified BREEAM EXCELLENT

PLANTS

Real plants are used in public areas (not fake plants). We also have a herb garden that our chefs use in Bramleys
OUR BUILDINGS

MATERIALS

Fabrics, carpets, flooring or furniture is sometimes made from upcycled materials. Sustainable or reclaimed/recycled materials are used in the construction of the buildings.

EV CHARGING

We have 8 EV charging points at the Orchard Hotel and conference centre for both guests and staff to use.
OUR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

MEETING ROOMS
All of our delegate meeting supplies are made from recycled materials

DIGITAL SIGNAGE
Digital/electronic signage in meetings/conference areas to minimise paper waste and printing

AV
Audio-visual equipment is all in-house, saving on transport
OUR FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGEMENT

TEA & COFFEE: Only fair-trade or ethically sourced coffee and tea is provided.

LOCAL: We use local 200 degrees coffee at all our properties and other locally produced beverages.

DRINKING WATER: Free drinking water fitted on site to encourage the reduction of single-use plastics.
OUR FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGEMENT

**MILK**
Oat or almond milk offered as an alternative to dairy

**FOOD MILES**
We have initiatives in place to reduce food miles and work with local suppliers

**CONDIMENT**
Removal or individual sachets of condiments
OUR CROCKERY & GLASSWARE

CROCKERY
All of our crockery is produced within a 50 mile radius, through an award-winning sustainable supplier

GLASSWARE
All of our glassware is from a local supplier and is produced with zero emissions
OUR BEDROOMS

LINEN AND TOWELS
Guests are offered the option to re-use linens and towels

MENUS
QR codes are offered for our room service menu with in season and local produce used

SHAMPOOS
Dispensers in each room for shampoos and hand soap that can be easily refilled
OUR PUBLIC TRANSPORT

BIKE RACKS

Bike racks are available at every venue to encourage guests to cycle when possible

BUS

There are many bus routes to and from the University of Nottingham Campus

TRAM

Trams from every 7 minutes from key locations such as Nottingham City Centre and Nottingham Train Station
OUR PUBLIC TRANSPORT

PLANE
East Midlands Airport is a 12 mile drive away with a Skylink bus connection

TRAIN
We are a short 4 miles away from Nottingham train station and only 2 miles from Beeston with a tram connection to the campus

AWARENESS
We encourage all guests to use public transport where possible and promote this via our website
OUR PEOPLE

LIVING WAGE EMPLOYER
We are proud to be leading the way within the hospitality industry as a living wage employer

TRAVEL
We offer a discounted staff travel scheme encouraging use of public transport to get to and from work
**OUR PEOPLE**

**TEAM**
We have a dedicated green team made up of representatives across the business, working on initiatives to improve our sustainability.

**UNIFORM**
All of our uniform is made using recycling plastic bottles with a fully traceable manufacturing process. Each suit saves 15 bottles from entering landfill.
HOW YOU CAN HELP

TRAVEL
We would recommend jumping on a train, tram, coach or car share when attending an event.

ENERGY
Remember to turn off any electrical equipment especially lights and TV's when leaving a meeting room or bedroom.

FOOD
Enjoying one of our delicious buffets? We kindly ask that you only plate up what you will eat and come back for more after.

PAPER
Although we offer complimentary notepads and pens in our meeting rooms, if you don't really need it resist the urge to doodle and leave it for the next guest.

VIRTUAL TOURS
We have virtual tours for each of our venues which saves you time and reduces pollution as you don't have to travel for a show around.

PLASTIC
We have water stations where you can refill your water bottle for free. We only use reusable cups, serving plates and cutlery.