



Environmental Policy Statement

Burren Nature Sanctuary is dedicated to a sustainable environment

Working Together

We collaborate with all stakeholders to collectively develop the Geopark as a sustainable tourism destination. We are official partners with Galway University Plant Sciences department, The National Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin. We work closely with the Kinvara Tidy Towns biodiversity project.

A cared-for landscape

We actively participate in conserving our natural and cultural heritage. We have dedicated our whole site to conservation and interpretation of our natural and cultural heritage.

A well-understood heritage

We offer quality information and interpretation to communicate our stories and the unique character of our place to guests. We are winners of the Geopark Interpretation Award 2017, Best Nature Attraction ROI 2023 (European Travel Awards) We added 3 new interpretive audio points in 5 languages in 2023- karst, turloughs and flora. We have an award winning podcast 'Nature Magic' that broadcasts from Burren Nature Sanctuary on all aspects of biodiversity/

Vibrant Communities

We work to ensure that tourism makes a positive social contribution so that it benefits our community as well as our guests. We have an ongoing fundraising initiative 'The Fairy Wishing Well' that donates to a local child with special needs. 2023 €322 (2019 €1,000) We have donated 30 family day passes to local fundraisers in 2023

Strengthened Livelihoods

We contribute to the local economy by maintaining and supporting local employment, by sourcing services and produce locally wherever possible, and by engaging with other businesses in promoting our region as a sustainable tourism destination.

Sustainable tourism management

We work to an Environmental Action Plan, which includes actions and targets for improvement that are reviewed annually. We have effective systems for monitoring and adequately managing our waste, water, wastewater, energy, travel impact and purchases.

Burren Nature Sanctuary aims to be a beacon for responsible sustainable tourism in Ireland