

# SUSTAINABLE MEETINGS

At the Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart we recognise our responsibility to the environment and ensure events held with us are carried out in the most sustainable way possible. We are committed to contributing towards a sustainable future by preserving vital natural resources and reducing our carbon footprint through an ever increasing range of green-friendly practices.

To assist you in understanding our sustainability practices, we have prepared an overview of our continually evolving procedures on our sustainability management.

**Power** – Tasmania has an advantage over most states as almost all electricity is produced via hydro generators and not fossil fuels. As a venue, we have invested into building management software to provide our building with the most sustainable outcomes. Practices deployed by the Hotel includes;

- The majority of lighting has been upgraded to low energy LED lights, with plans in place to transition the remaining across as soon as possible
- Our heating and cooling also uses energy geothermally harvested from waste water
- Our kitchen operate on natural gas or electricity.

**Water and Waste** – We have installed WEL rated taps to reduce water use and enlarged our water treatment service for outgoing water to control our waste output.

**Delegate Recycling** – During the conference, we offer various recycling stations to allow delegates the opportunity to recycle waste with ease.

**Trade Shows Recycling** – A recycling station is provided during trade exhibition build, bump in and out to assist exhibitors to recycle unneeded materials.

**Cardboard** – We recycle cardboard Hotel wide. Cardboard bailers are located throughout the Hotel to assist staff in a seamless process to manage this waste.

**Printed Paper Materials** – Paper is recycled throughout the Hotel and conference space.

**Single Use Plastics** – We have eliminated single-use plastics.

**Glass, Plastic and Co-mingled Waste** – This is collected for recycling.

**Printer Cartridges** – We collect for recycling on a hotel wide basis.

**Fryer Oil** – Oil is collected and donated to be converted to biodiesel on a sustainable smallholding.

**Paper Ware** – Our services and menus have been formatted to minimise the use of paper ware and other single-use items. Ordinarily, we don't see the need to use anything other than napkins, which are compostable.

**Water Service** – Hobart has some of the best water in the world, so we avoid plastic bottles. Our water stations use glasses and our meeting rooms all have water jugs available. We are happy to work with event organisers that produce branded reusable water bottles for their events.

**Coffee Service Options** – We serve all our hot beverages in ceramics. We encourage the use of keep cups, which we can wash each day\* and then the delegates can take at the end of the conference. If a take away option is required, then we use compostable takeaway cups (our least preferred method).

*\*Subject to the event utilising the venue's service for food and beverage service.*

