

## Environmental Sustainability Action Plan

The climate crisis and changes to the environment are global issues that will impact everyone, and tennis is no different. Whether it be the impact of extreme temperatures on events and competitions, or the risk of flooding that rising sea levels and severe weather pose for all tennis venues around the country, it's vital that we act to secure a sustainable future for Marlborough Tennis. We are privileged to be located in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

To meet our environmental goals, Marlborough Tennis will develop and improve an action plan. Divided into distinct topics, it details how the club pledges to implement and maintain our environmental policy, step by step. We currently have sustainable practices in place, and these will be formally documented for our membership and community.

Underpinning the action plan is the desire and commitment for us to thrive as a club and open up tennis, whilst considering the impact on people and the environment. We are striving to save energy, reduce waste and pollution, protect wildlife, act sustainably and make environmentally conscious choices in all we do.

Our action plan will target nine key areas:

- Wildlife and nature conservation
- Water use
- Energy and carbon
- Sustainable travel
- Waste management
- Clubhouse operations
- Purchasing and procurement
- Training and education
- Building our green network

The actions are based on advice from sustainability experts and tailored to tennis club operations and, more specifically, our own club. Club members will be part of the sustainability action team.

Actions are to be realistic and achievable; we can only do this together. Through simple behavioural changes, members, volunteers, coaches, staff and visitors can contribute positively to this plan.

Some further actions will be implemented immediately, and some will be longer term initiatives. We are keen to adopt a collaborative approach and welcome input and ideas from all. If you have knowledge, expertise or interest in helping, please let us know by contacting [chair@marlboroughtennis.co.uk](mailto:chair@marlboroughtennis.co.uk).

The action plan will be published annually, with metrics established. Our progress will be shared on the website and as part of annual reporting.