



Environmental Action Touring Rider for pubs, museums and village halls

Some ideas for environmental action you might like to try

Introduction

HighTide holds the climate crisis in its name; a daily reminder of our responsibility to act now - with imagination and creativity. We are committed to reducing our environmental impact and decarbonising our company by 2030, and we encourage you to use any area in this document for your own environmental actions too. As a touring company, we are passionate about advocating for positive change and hope to inspire our audiences, artists, venues and partners across the East of England and beyond.

We don't claim to be experts in this field and we're hungry for tips and improvements from you. We dearly hope that through collaboration and the sharing of ideas we can - together - have a greater and lasting positive impact.

Wherever you are on your journey of lessening environmental impacts - we hope this document can help you. We are sending this to all the venues we are visiting on our latest tour. The idea is to share what we are doing in relation to climate action in the hope that we can inspire and get venues thinking about the steps that you may already have taken or would like to take. **If you could circulate this document to your team and the people who are able to act on it, we would be grateful.**

How to use this Green Rider

Our Green Rider is split into three sections: before, during and future goals.

Each section outlines what we commit to doing and what we encourage you as a venue to commit to, if you are able.

- You may find that you are actioning a lot of things we have laid out
- Everything set out below is shared only as suggestions or requests rather than orders or necessities!
- Below our Rider commitments you will find a list of resources that you may find useful
- Feedback / Reflective Practice - we can only continue to build on this work by seeing what works or doesn't work and sharing information. The feedback form asks you to tell us about your current environmental actions and leave us feedback so we can keep improving. We'll nudge you to complete and submit this form after our visit via the link provided:
<https://forms.gle/tDrumtfgK14KbfnP8>
- **If you're interested, we're happy to keep talking with you about this Rider and our environmental action work as it develops. Just let us know.**

			<p>information with us as early as possible so we can pass it on to our audiences.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide audiences with information on electric vehicle charge points at the venue/in the local area. (A map of UK charge points is available here.) Please share this information with us. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
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During our production's time at your venue

	HighTide commit to:		We encourage the venue to commit to:	
Backstage / Rehearsal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only use on-stage and back-stage lighting when needed (whilst still following health and safety guidelines) 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use environmentally responsible cleaning products. • Use recycled paper products (e.g. toilet paper, hand towels). • Provide clearly labelled recycling facilities backstage, in easily accessible locations including in dressing rooms. If your venue collects food waste, please also provide food waste bins in dressing rooms. 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
General Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing locally and ethically-sourced food and drink to our staff/members, when we are in charge of catering. • Monitoring and reducing the carbon footprint of our tours, including, e.g. show power, accommodation and transport of staff and freight • Assist in the facilitation of any surveys The Venue chooses to conduct during HighTide's visit 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor power usage of HighTide production whilst at your venue and relay this information back to HighTide for environmental reporting 	<input type="checkbox"/>

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure all future procurement has the lowest environmental impact possible.• Re-draft ethical policy, and strengthen our stance on ethical fundraising and ethical investments (assess and change financial service providers)	service providers)
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Feedback

Please help us improve in this area of our work by completing our Feedback Form by clicking on the following link: <https://forms.gle/tDrumtfgK14KbfnP8> or alternatively email our General Manager, Hannah Dunne - hannah@hightide.org.uk

We invite all creatives, partners and venues to collaborate with HighTide to achieve our environmental ambitions and we will do what we can to help you achieve yours. Please let us know if you would like to discuss anything further or if we can share any of our resources with you.

Resources

Here's a link to our favourite resources and top tips to support environmental action.
<https://hightide.org.uk/environmental-action-resources/>

We'd love to hear from you about any new resources that we can add to this list.