



## GROVE HOUSE

### Sustainable wedding tips at Roehampton Venues

Roehampton Venues are committed to making a positive environmental impact and contributing to a sustainable future - delivering sustainable events. We are committed to management of our environmental aspects and impacts and aim to embed sustainability across all our activities and operations. We want to help you think about sustainable event practices and help run greener weddings within our venue and have a few tips for you to consider for your special day.

#### 1) Go Paperless/Reduce Waste

- Keep all your planning, emails, contracts, invoices, and proposals digital
- If you need paper, use recycled and find printing partners that prioritise the environment
- Avoid sending paper invites, try online registration and email invite/digital stationery tools
- Rent and borrow décor over buying to reduce waste
- Consider eco-friendly confetti and sustainable gifts for your wedding favours
- Avoid single use items such as balloons, glitter – these can break down into harmful microplastics

#### 2) Choose Green Transport and Travel

- Choosing to have your ceremony and reception at Grove House will reduce travel compared to a separate venue for your ceremony
- Encourage your guests to think green when planning their travel, promoting public transport, and walking. Our location allows a lovely 15-minute walk from Barnes station or bus ride
- Plan group travel solutions for your guests such as shuttle bus between venues/hotel if required
- Staying onsite in our fabulous Elm Grove bedrooms (if accommodation is required) will be a lower carbon footprint for your delegates compared to considering local hotels where further transport is required
- Choose local suppliers reducing your carbon footprint by eliminating travel and air pollution
- Guests can explore the local area with short walk to Richmond Park and enjoy Grove House Lake and lawns

#### 3) Recycle, Re-use and Choose Sustainable options

- Grove House has lots of natural light that allows you to embrace natural lighting and open-air ventilation in all of its rooms there are floor to ceiling windows opening to the gardens
- We provide and promote recycling facilities across our venues including separate bins for recyclables and general waste in all venues
- When choosing your wedding garments consider sustainable fabrics
- Consider carbon offsetting for your wedding or reducing your footprint by initiatives such as tree planting

#### 4) Sustainable food & drink choices

- Talk with your wedding caterer about sustainability, eco-friendly practices, and ways they can assist you reduce your carbon footprint
- Our wedding caterers use reusable cups, crockery, and cutlery. We recommend if single – use plastics are needed and re-use is not practical they use disposable products made from plant-based, compostable materials
- Consider organic, seasonal, and local produce within your menu and presenting vegetarian and vegan options to all guests

#### 5) Sustainable floristry

- When choosing your floristry supplier discuss eco-friendly flower arrangements for your day
- Choose seasonal and local flowers in your floristry where possible
- Consider arrangements with reduced or no floral foam included
- Consider what happens to your flowers after the event - ensure all is given to family and friends or donated after the event to be reused and composted once you have enjoyed them

**Work with us to help lower our carbon footprint and talk to us about our green initiatives**

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