



## **Ethical and Environmental Policy:**

Oblong recognises that however we run our organisation it will have an effect on the environment and upon other people in the world. We know we are responsible for this and are actively ensuring that we don't in any way support, industries, practices, or organisations that conflict with Oblong's values, and strive to support those who share our aims.

Oblong acknowledges the connection between the climate and other environmental crises and the threat of current and future homelessness, disease, food and water shortages and poverty for millions of people around the world, as well as the major damage being caused to our natural eco-systems.

It therefore recognises its responsibility to reduce its carbon and environmental footprints and formally aims to be an environmentally responsible charity.

### **Oblong will not support:**

- Organisations and practices which needlessly harm the environment.
- Organisations with a poor record on human rights, workers' rights or that support oppressive practices.
- Organisations that mistreat animals.
- Organisations with a poor record on equal opportunities.
- Other organisations that the collective feels conflict with Oblong's values.

### **Oblong will support:**

- Organisations with good environmental practices.
- Non-profit making, organisations.
- Cooperatively or collectively controlled organisations
- Local businesses
- Recycling
- Reusing and repurposing.
- Actions to minimise waste and our carbon footprint

Oblong does not have staff capacity to review all companies/stakeholders individually and must take into account financial constraints. We, therefore, encourage staff, volunteers, trustees, and other stakeholders to raise any concerns with Oblong about our suppliers/partners/partner organisations and their ethical & environmental impact.

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