

# **AKAROA DOLPHINS SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT POLICY**

## **Talking to Suppliers**

At Akaroa Dolphins, we recognise that we have an obligation to our environment, and are committed to caring for it, while being mindful about what we bring into it. It is vital that our actions have a positive impact on the environment for now, and for future generations.

We aim to be an agent of change. Below are questions we ask suppliers in regard to packaging.

- What sustainable options they have and how the improvements can be proved?
- Where their products come from and the conditions in which they are made?
- What the packaging is made of, how it can be disposed of, and whether they will take it back?
- Whether the product will be reused, recycled or can be easily repaired?

We let our suppliers and potential suppliers in our region know what we need and what we expect. Involve them in our efforts to be sustainable while providing business opportunities to local enterprises.

## **Responsible Tourism Supply Chain**

We are always striving to buy and sell locally designed and made products. Going forward we aim to predominately only stock local New Zealand products, phasing out any suppliers that do not follow our ethics. Examples of suppliers that share the same ethics are: Stone the Crows, Sticky Tiki, Jill Main Merino, Little Taonga, Angie Dennis Art, Maori Boy Glassware, MZ Design Wood and Whale Woman.

### **Below is a useful link to refer to:**

A practical guide on sustainable supply chains from the New Zealand Business Council for Sustainable Development