

District of Easington Fair-trade Resolution

The District of Easington aims to encourage the use of fair trade goods by actively supporting and promoting the concept of 'Fair-trade' to residents, visitors, the local business community, its employees, suppliers and other local authorities. We will continue to research, develop and support a strategy to facilitate fair-trade where appropriate.

We therefore resolve:

- ❑ To promote awareness of fair trade issues and the opportunities for supporting fair-trade across the District. We will concentrate initially on making council employees, the public, and local businesses aware of the council's policy on fair-trade.
- ❑ To encourage the use of fair trade goods, for example products carrying the 'Fair-trade Mark', when catering for council meetings and functions.
- ❑ To encourage the use of 'Fair-trade' goods in other council contracts, including staff catering, wherever possible.
- ❑ To play an active role in the development of local and regional fair- trade partnerships.
- ❑ To encourage suppliers to offer optional products that displays the 'Fair-trade Mark' or equivalent within their tenders and quotations.
- ❑ To encourage local businesses and local retailers to make 'Fair-trade' options available to the public or their employees.
- ❑ To request the Chief Executive to report on how the council could integrate fair-trade considerations into its environmental and internationalist policies, as part of the Community Strategy.