



BEALES HOTELS

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# *Green Awards*





Beales Hotels are the proud winners of the 2011 Hertfordshire Green Awards, Runners up in the 2011 National Green Apple Awards, and Finalists in the 2011 International Queen's Award for Sustainable Development.

Here are twenty of the green and sustainable things we do which have led to our success :

1. **Beehives** in the grounds at West Lodge Park that have produced over 150 jars of honey each season over the past four years
2. New **national collection of Taxodium Distichum** trees to add to the national collection of Carpinus Betulus Hornbeams
3. Over **two hundred new trees** planted in the Beale arboretum over the past four years
4. **National Garden scheme** open days run for over 30 years raising over £43,700 for charity
5. **New boilers** at West Lodge Park saving 214.2 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> and 58.4 tonnes of carbon, installed with support from the Carbon Trust
6. **Gas** consumption has been reduced over the past 3 years by 12.4%
7. **Water** consumption has been reduced over the past 3 years by 38.5%
8. **Electricity** consumption has been reduced over the past 3 years by 19.4%
9. We **recycle** all glass, cardboard, ink cartridges, laser toners, cooking oil and newsprint with 33% less general waste in the past four years
10. **Temperature reduction** of hot water at both hotels from 64° to 60° with no impact on our guests
11. **Fewer towel changes** in bathrooms save over £10,000 each year and reduce detergent use
12. **Low energy** compact fluorescent light bulbs save £8,040 each year and new LED bulbs being introduced
13. **We compost** all coffee grouts and used tea bags !
14. **New water bowser** purchased to cut down on hosepipe use in the gardens
15. **Fair trade beverages** on sale in the hotel (coffee, wine)
16. **Local food and drink** suppliers given priority, reducing food miles and supporting the local rural economy
17. **Local community** groups, schools, hospices, and churches supported with vouchers and discounts worth over £10,000 each year for fundraising
18. **The Beale Trust** disburses over £32,000 p.a. to local and national charities each year
19. **Thermostatic valves** added to all 152 radiators to control temperatures and minimise waste
20. **Energy efficient salamander and hobs** added to the kitchen to maintain a cooler working environment and save on gas