

This week on Radio Nova we looked at the sustainability plans of the Púca Festival.

**Sustainability at the Púca Festival - initiatives for 2023:**

No Single-Use Plastics at Bars

Fáilte Ireland is working with the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, three Regional Waste Management Planning Offices and Native Events on a pilot scheme to reduce the use of single-use plastics at events. Púca Festival will be one of four pilot events that will trial the scheme, with bars at the Trim Castle site offering reusable drinks containers.

Buses provided by Festival

The emission footprint of the attendees’ accounts for 80% of the overall carbon footprint of a festival. Therefore, Púca have organised more public transport to Púca festival and are actively encouraging the attendees to get the bus or walk when possible.

Energy

Púca’s supplier GH generator will be providing them with generators that will be ran on Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO). Using HVO dramatically reduces emissions while also reusing existing fuels.

Refill water stations with reusable cups

Púca’s supplier Refill Ireland will be installing water stations on the Trim site which will be accompanied with reusable cups for all attendees to use. This again will reduce the amount of single use plastics onsite.

Waste Plan

Recyclable, compost, and general waste bins will be provided onsite, and attendees will be encouraged to dispose of rubbish correctly.

**Links for more information:**

[www.pucafestival.com](http://www.pucafestival.com)

[www.failteireland.ie/FailteIreland/media/WebsiteStructure/Documents/Product\_Development/Festivals\_Events/failte-ireland-sustainable-festivals-guidelines-2023.pdf](http://www.failteireland.ie/FailteIreland/media/WebsiteStructure/Documents/Product_Development/Festivals_Events/failte-ireland-sustainable-festivals-guidelines-2023.pdf)

