Paper Information Sheet

Paper is a biobased alternative to fossil-fuel based fabrics (such as the most common forms of polyester). Whilst it still requires some chemical manipulation to turn the organic plants into fabric, Paper is widely recognised as a more environmentally conscious alternative to polyester.





Eco Credentials	Reality Check
▪ Trees are **renewable resources** which, when farmed responsibly, **can be replanted and sustained without depleting natural resources** (trees also **store carbon dioxide and release oxygen**). ▪ The Forest Stewardship Council has established an international standard to **ensure forests are managed as sustainably and ethically as possible** with **environmental values** in mind. ▪ Most Paper is **suitable for dying with natural/vegetable-based dyes**. ▪ Many Paper products can be **recycled multiple times** (reducing landfill waste).	▪ Crops must **undergo chemical manipulation** to be turned from plants into fabric. However, a **close looped system** can be used to **re-capture and re-use certain chemicals** (e.g. black liquor), thereby reducing their impact on the environment. ▪ Paper manufacturing **requires lots of energy, water and land** (which can lead to **deforestation**). It also **creates a lot of waste**.