

Sustainability

Environmental Standards

In support of The University's Environmental Policy

Loughborough University Environmental Standards

The University's Environmental Policy sets out a commitment to implementing environmentally responsible standards and practices, as part of an Environmental Management System (EMS). Its aim is to mitigate and manage our impacts in a program of continuous environmental improvement. In support of the policy, the following statement sets out the standards expected of the University, staff and students in all aspects of environmental sustainability as well as responsibilities for specific aspects.



Across all aspects the University will:

- Develop and communicate EMS Procedures which will enable staff and students to fulfill their responsibilities under this standard
- Seek to educate, communicate and provide training to enable staff and students to fulfill their responsibilities under these standards
- Ensure compliance with all relevant legislation, regulations, codes of practice and local or special requirements, by ensuring communication of the requirements necessary to do so
- Pursue opportunities for the exchange of initiatives and best practice within the local community, local authority and other further and higher education institutions to enhance our efforts

Across all aspects staff and students should:

- Adhere to EMS Procedures where available and support the University in the continuous improvement of these
- Be aware that there are legal requirements which substantiate the EMS procedures
- Undertake any training provided in order to fulfill their responsibilities under these standards
- Seek opportunities to enhance the educational experience by integrating all aspects of environmental sustainability into the curriculum
- Support the University in its efforts so that we become an exemplar of best practice in all aspects of environmental sustainability

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For the following aspects the University will:

Energy and Water Management

- Set objectives and targets which promote and support a reduction in carbon emissions cross the campus
- Endeavor to integrate low carbon technology and implement carbon reduction projects to reduce the carbon impact of the University estate and its operations

Waste (Resource) Management

- Set objectives and targets which promote resource efficiency in accordance with the hierarchy of Prevention, Reuse, Recycling and Recovery to prevent Disposal
- Endeavour to integrate waste/resource management into, rather than in addition to, day-to-day operations

Construction, Refurbishment and Management of the Estate

- Set objectives and targets which strive to continuously improve the environmental performance of our buildings and estate
- Endeavour to integrate sustainability into our buildings and the estate whilst continuing to provide high standard facilities for the education and training of all our students

Travel and Transport

- Set objectives and targets which strive to continuously improve sustainable methods of travel and transport thus reducing our environmental impact
- Endeavour to integrate sustainable methods of travel and transport into campus operations enhancing, rather than impacting on, the provision of a high standard of education and training to all our students

Sustainable Procurement

- Set objectives and targets which promote sustainable procurement by reducing purchasing, using resourceefficient products and considering end of life
- Endeavour to integrate sustainable procurement into, rather than in addition to, day-to-day operations

Emissions to Air and Discharges to Water

- Set objectives and targets which will seek to control and raise an awareness of the dangers of inappropriate and uncontrolled emissions to air and discharges to water
- Endeavour to integrate awareness and control of emissions to air and discharges to water into, rather than in addition to, day-to-day operations

Culture and Community

 Seek to make an awareness of cultural and community considerations an integral part of environmental sustainability practices, in accordance with the University's existing infrastructure, particularly in the areas of:Construction, Refurbishment and Management of the EstateTravel and Transport Sustainable Procurement

Health, Welfare and Safety

 Ensure health, welfare and safety are considerations across all aspects of environmental sustainability in accordance with the University's existing infrastructure Loughborough University Environmental Standards

For the aspect indicated staff and students should:

Energy and Water Management

- Manage the University's resources efficiently and effectively
- Make energy saving and carbon reduction a routine part of their daily activities
- Report potential carbon reduction opportunities to the appropriate authority within the University

Waste (Resource) Management

- Manage the University's resources efficiently in accordance with the hierarchy of Prevention, Reuse, Recycling and Recovery to prevent Disposal
- Make waste/resource management a routine part of their daily activities

Construction, Refurbishment and Management of the Estate

- Utilise buildings in a way which maximises their environmental features as a routine part of their daily activities
- Look after the buildings, grounds and gardens of the estate which will assist in its sustainability and enable funds to be appropriated to the development, rather than maintenance, of the estate

Travel and Transport

- Set objectives and targets which strive to continuously improve sustainable methods of travel and transport thus reducing our environmental impact
- Endeavour to integrate sustainable methods of travel and transport into campus operations enhancing, rather than impacting on, the provision of a high standard of education and training to all our students

Sustainable Procurement

- Set objectives and targets which promote sustainable procurement by reducing purchasing, using resourceefficient products and considering end of life
- Endeavour to integrate sustainable procurement into, rather than in addition to, day-to-day operations

Emissions to Air and Discharges to Water

- Seek to develop an understanding of the dangers of inappropriate and uncontrolled emissions to air and discharges to water and to manage the risk associated with these
- Make the management and reporting of emissions to air and discharges to water a routine part of their daily activities

Culture and Community

 Engage in cultural and community considerations across all aspects of their role as a routine part of their daily activities

Health, Welfare and Safety

 Engage in health, welfare and safety practices across all aspects of their role as a routine part of their daily activities

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