



University Environment Policy

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1	1996	First University Environment policy
2	31.03.2006	New version to comply with ISO 14001 requirement
2.1	19.11.2007	Modification to comply with requirements as draft policy for EcoCampus
3	07.10.2008	New version to combine Council statement with main policy
3.1	17.02.2009	Approved by SHEEC
4	13.02.2012	New version to comply with the latest ISO 14001 requirements
4.1	21.03.2014	Procurement objectives strengthened; SHE Unit's and Estates' responsibilities updated and clarified
5	04.10.2016	No functional changes; new version to comply with revised ISO 14001 requirements (2015)

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The University acknowledges that its operations interact with the environment. To control and enhance its environmental performance and resilience, identify environmental opportunities and manage risks the University is committed to operating an Environmental Management System (EMS) to ISO 14001.

This Environment Policy commits the University to being a responsible corporate citizen that leads by example with regard to environmental sustainability. The University is committed to following good environmental practice, meeting or exceeding all compliance obligations, and continual improvement.

The University's Environment Policy provides the framework for setting and reviewing environmental objectives and targets. It is documented, regularly reviewed, maintained and communicated to all staff and students.

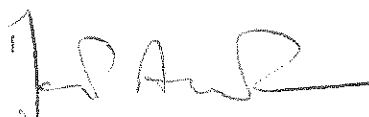
The main objectives and commitments are to:

- Reduce carbon emissions in accordance with the University's Carbon Management Plan
- Improve energy and water efficiency and reduce reliance on fossil fuels
- Protect the environment and prevent pollution
- Optimise reduction, reuse, recycling and disposal of waste
- Reduce the impacts of transport and travel and encourage sustainable alternatives
- Manage the use, storage and disposal of materials to reduce environmental impact
- Manage our campuses to protect and enhance biodiversity
- Promote sustainable procurement, both internally and through the University's supply chains
- Communicate with staff, students and relevant interested parties and promote sustainable behaviours

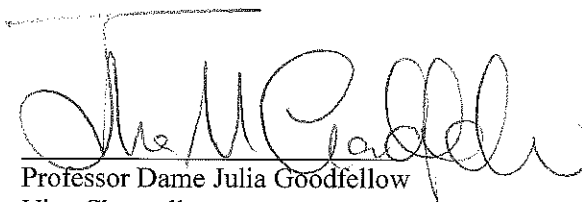
This policy applies to all staff, students, premises and activities under the control of the University. The Safety, Health and Environment Executive Committee gives delegated authority to the Safety, Health and Environment Unit to determine Policy for further consideration by the Committee.

The Safety, Health & Environment Unit specifies and manages core administrative elements of the Environmental Management System, including training and internal auditing, and advises on environmental compliance and best practice. The Estates Department is responsible for the management and operational control of major aspects of the Environmental Management System.

This policy and the University's achievements will be communicated to all parties interested in the performance of its Environmental Management System.



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