



Harrow College

College Policies & Procedures

Environmental Policy Statement

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Related Policies and Procedures

- Waste Management Policy
- Environmental Management System
- Sustainable Development Policy

Legal and External Framework

None specific to this policy

Background and Purpose

The College is committed to responsible use of energy, water and other resources with the aim of minimising any negative impact on the environment.

The College is committed to a continual improvement in environmental performance and to achieving best practice benchmark standards for FE Colleges wherever practicable.

The College is committed to monitoring our annual Carbon Footprint and striving to reduce it on a year by year basis.

The College is committed to meeting all relevant legal requirements.

Audience

All staff, students and the wider community. This will be part of a broader campaign to promote awareness and understanding of environmental issues and how the College can minimize any adverse effect on the environment.

Objectives

In order to fulfil these commitments, the College will provide senior level engagement, and cost-effective resources for environmental improvement and long term sustainability to reach the following objectives:

1. On-going implementation of a formal environmental management system and controls in accordance with the International Environmental Management System standard ISO14001.
2. Reducing the use of natural resources and the emission of carbon dioxide (CO₂).
3. Considering environmental risks and opportunities when making all strategic decisions.
4. Minimising waste production and reducing the environmental consequences of waste through re-use and re-cycling.
5. Avoiding or limiting wherever practical the use of environmentally damaging substances, materials and processes.
6. Preventing pollution where possible and reducing pollution through the responsible management of toxic, chemical and hazardous waste.
7. Minimising any adverse environmental impact of new development.
8. Recognising the benefit of green spaces and working to enhance the ecological value of the estate.
9. Communicating within Harrow College and to the outside community on environmental performance and best practise.

Responsibilities

The Executive Director of Finance and Resources is responsible for ensuring compliance, supported by the Head of Estates and the Environmental Coordinator.

Review

This policy statement will be reviewed annually by the Executive Director of Finance and Resources.