

Environmental Policy

Brunel University is firmly committed to enhancing its environmental management and performance through its strategies, policies, risk management, and procedures. 'Sustainability' is one of the core values of the University, and the University's Strategic Plan 2008 to 2012 obliges the University to provide 'an enabling environment' where the campus infrastructure, facilities, and activities are managed, developed and monitored in an environment-responsible and sustainable manner.

The University acknowledges it is responsible for continually improving its environmental performance and protecting the environment at all levels.

The University will set targets and action plans to meet the following **objectives**:

Environmental Management and Legislative Compliance

- Work toward implementing an Environmental Management System in line with a recognised standard such as EcoCampus, Acorn Scheme, or ISO14001
- Meet, and wherever possible, apply more stringent standards to ensure the University's compliance with relevant environmental legislative requirements

Academic Life

- Engage with the academic community to integrate the theme of sustainability into teaching and research

Reduce Environmental Impacts

- Enhance the University's carbon management and continue to reduce its carbon emissions and prevent pollution
- Improve energy and water management by reducing their consumption
- Implement the waste hierarchy to minimise waste through elimination, reduction, reuse and recycling
- Implement the Travel Plan and promote sustainable modes of transport to and from the University
- Enhance biodiversity and maintain the grounds and buildings in a sustainable manner
- Promote sustainable procurement activities and Fairtrade
- Enhance energy efficiency in estate and buildings by undertaking a necessary refurbishment work and by minimising adverse impact

Communication, Awareness Raising and Involvement

- Establish and maintain a communication channel with all staff and students
- Promote and raise awareness of good environmental policies and practices with staff, students and other stakeholders across the University