

## Sustainability Policy

City, University of London is located in the heart of London and has over 20,000 students and 2,700 staff. The University has adopted this policy as a means of minimising its adverse environmental effect both locally and globally. As a learning institution, it is our responsibility to educate all stakeholders on responsible environmental stewardship. This policy supports the sustainability objectives identified within the Sustainability Strategy, the University Vision and Strategy 2026 and our Environmental Management System.

The scope of our Environmental Management System includes all UK buildings and operations. The following underlying documents have been compiled to address key impact areas:

- Biodiversity Strategy and Biodiversity Statement
- Carbon Management Plan
- Energy Management Statement
- Sustainable Food Statement
- Sustainable Investment Statement
- Sustainable Purchasing Statement
- Travel Plan and Sustainable Travel Statement
- Waste Management Strategy and Waste Management Statement

### Policy Principles:

1. To work towards best practice at all times and endeavour to continually improve environmental performance.
2. To comply with all relevant UK, European and international environmental legislation and take measures to protect the environment and prevent pollution across all of our operations.
3. To continuously work towards principles of corporate social responsibility.
4. To increase environmental awareness and responsibility amongst staff, students and visitors and encourage University-wide participation in environmental activities, training and programmes.
5. To work with the local community and other universities to progress environmental initiatives and exchange best practice.
6. To promote the efficient use of environmental resources (energy, water and raw materials).
7. To reduce waste through elimination, reduction, reuse and recycling.
8. To promote our sustainable purchasing statement and sustainable investment statement.
9. To consider the environmental cost benefit for all new major projects, retrofits and refurbishments.
10. To promote, encourage and manage a travel plan to minimise the impact on the environment by staff, students and visitors.
11. To identify and promote initiatives for including sustainability principles and practices within the curriculum.
12. To continually monitor, review and publish environmental performance in relation to targets and objectives, and to take appropriate steps to meet them, including the maintenance, retention and continual improvement of our ISO 14001 certified Environmental Management System.

The Sustainability Committee will be responsible to the Executive Committee for planning, management, monitoring and reporting on the implementation of this policy.

This policy will be reviewed annually and published on the University's website at:  
[www.city.ac.uk/sustainable-city](http://www.city.ac.uk/sustainable-city).

Signed by:



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