

## **Waste Management Statement**

The University is committed to the protection of the environment through the implementation of an effective waste management strategy and achieving full legal compliance with all current waste management legislation.

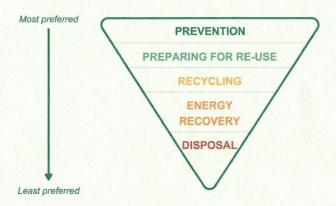
## **Key Principles**

The University aims to:

- 1. Prevent or minimise waste production wherever possible.
- 2. Provide bins and containers across the University to ensure the effective segregation of waste and maximise reuse, recycling and composting in line with the waste hierarchy.
- 3. Develop targets for waste minimisation and recycling rates.
- 4. Maintain its zero waste to landfill target.
- 5. Measure and monitor waste disposal, recycling and recovery rates, to identify where waste management improvements can be made.
- 6. Raise awareness amongst all staff, students and other stakeholders of the importance of sustainable waste management through education initiatives and campaigns.

## Waste Management Hierarchy

In delivering our Waste Management Strategy, we will apply the principles of the waste management hierarchy.



Prevention: The University will minimise the amount of material entering the waste stream by working with colleagues, suppliers and contractors to ensure that materials are purchased judiciously, with emphasis placed on preventing waste.

Preparing for reuse: The University will provide collection facilities across its campus to enable the reuse of items and materials.

Recycling: The University will provide recycling facilities across its campus for recyclable material. A more specific breakdown of which materials can be recycled is shown in the Waste Management Strategy.

Other recovery: The University will, through its waste management contracts, promote the recovery of waste through alternative methods. This will include energy recovery, composting and anaerobic digestion.

Disposal: In line with its zero-waste-to-landfill target, no University waste is sent to landfill.

For further information on waste management issues, contact the <u>Property and Facilities Service</u> Desk.

The Property and Facilities Department will be responsible for planning, management and reporting on the implementation of this statement. This statement will be reviewed every three years and published on the University's website.

Signed by:

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