APPLICATION: All University buildings

Buildings with a floor area greater than 1000m² will be considered "Significant Energy Aspects," in line with the Energy Performance in Buildings Directive. Additional consideration will also be given to those sites whose annual energy consumption falls outside of good practice energy efficiency benchmarks.

POLICY STATEMENT

City University is committed to responsible energy and water management as part of an overall environmental strategy. By efficient management of energy, the University aims to minimise:

- Energy use
- Energy costs
- Environmental impact of harmful emissions
- Depletion of fossil fuels

While maintaining operational goals and an acceptable working/living environment for staff and students, the University is committed to achieving best practice benchmark standards in energy efficiency for higher education establishments.

To this end the University will provide senior level commitment, an appropriate management structure and cost effective resources to achieve these standards which will contribute to environmental improvement and long term sustainability.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

1. To purchase energy and water at the most competitive and advantageous rates to the University.
2. To utilise energy as efficiently as possible by no cost measures (i.e. good housekeeping).
3. To develop a monitoring and targeting system so that ultimately each Department will become responsible for its own energy/water policy and performance.
4. To invest in energy efficient plant and projects with paybacks of less than four years.
5. To design in energy efficiency to all new buildings, refurbishments and equipment.
6. To publish clear targets for energy consumption annually and to report progress on the previous year.
7. To minimise gaseous emissions and waste products which are likely to cause damage to the environment.
8. To increase the energy awareness of staff and students.
9. To reduce dependence on fossil fuels by using alternative ambient and renewable forms of energy where it is practical and economic to do so.
10. To procure goods and services from organisations who demonstrate a positive commitment to energy efficiency where it is practical and cost effective to do so.

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