

WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY 2018



For use in	All Colleges/Schools/Departments/Divisions of
	the University
	External tenders
	External reporting requirements
For use by	All staff
	Contractors
Owner	Estates & Campus Services
Approval	
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Waste Management Policy

1. Purpose of the Policy

- 1.1. The University is committed to reducing its negative environmental impacts by ensuring that the waste produced as a result of its activities are disposed in accordance with legislative requirements and under guidance from the nationally recognised Waste Hierarchy.
- 1.2. The University will apply the 'waste hierarchical approach' to prevent, re-use, recycle and recover waste in preference to the disposal of waste to landfill or incineration where energy recovery is not viable.
- 1.3. There is a legal requirement for all who produce, keep or dispose of waste of any type to comply with the Waste Regulations and the Duty of Care under the Environmental Protection Act (1990). The University recognises the importance of meeting these legal requirements and to manage its waste responsibly. As a result, the University operates an extensive waste management system to ensure that the waste produced is dealt with accordingly.
- 1.4. The University requires all staff, students, contractors and anyone else making use of the premises to comply with this policy to ensure compliance with all waste legislation. In accordance with the policy statement the University will fulfil the following policy objectives.

2. Our priorities – Waste Hierarchy

Targets accompanying this policy are outlined in the Carbon Management Plan 2016-2025 and reported quarterly in Social Impact Strategic Implementation KPI Report.



3. The objectives of this policy are:

- 3.1. To minimise waste generation at source through prevention and facilitate repair, reuse and recycling over the disposal of wastes in a cost effective manner.
- 3.2. To promote environmental awareness in order to increase and encourage waste minimisation, reuse and recycling.
- 3.3. To explore where possible revenue from recyclable materials.
- 3.4. To ensure compliance with legislative requirements when considering waste disposal options.
- 3.5. To ensure the safe handling and storage of wastes on campus. To segregate wastes and dispose them in accordance with legislative requirements. This includes wastes of a hazardous nature which could be harmful to human health and the environment.
- 3.6. To provide appropriate training for staff, students and other stakeholders on waste management issues.

4. Governance

4.1. Environmental Sustainability underpins the University's Physical Environment and Social Impact Strategy and reports to the Social Impact Steering Group. The policy will be reviewed and signed annually.

5. Associated documents

- Physical Environment Strategy
- Social Impact Strategy
- Carbon Management Plan
- Biodiversity Action Plan
- Travel Plan
- Sustainable Procurement Guidelines