

[Name]



green Office POLICY

Purpose of the policy and summary of issues it addresses:

This policy details the [NAME] commitment to environmentally sustainable work practices and operations.

Definitions:

Sustainability (Higher Education) - implies that the critical activities of a higher education institution are ecologically sound, socially just and economically viable, and that they will continue to be so for future generations.

Policy statement:

[NAME] is committed to work place practices that are environmentally sustainable to ensure the environmental integrity and economic efficiency of the University.

[NAME] shall endeavour to protect the local and global environment and human health by:

- actively promoting, communicating and encouraging the adoption of environmentally sustainable work practices
- working with Environmental Services, staff, students and other stakeholders to continually improve work practices to be more environmentally sustainable
- minimising or eliminating negative environmental impacts by adhering to the environmental principles of:
 - conserving and being more efficient in the use of energy and water resources
 - reducing paper use
 - carrying out good waste management practices and recycling
 - considering the environmental performance of products before purchase
 - minimising pollution to air, land and water
 - encouraging environmentally sustainable transport where possible
- participating in other environmentally sustainable initiatives as outlined in Green Office Plans

Procedures:

Green Office Action Plan

Approving body or position:

Date original policy approved: