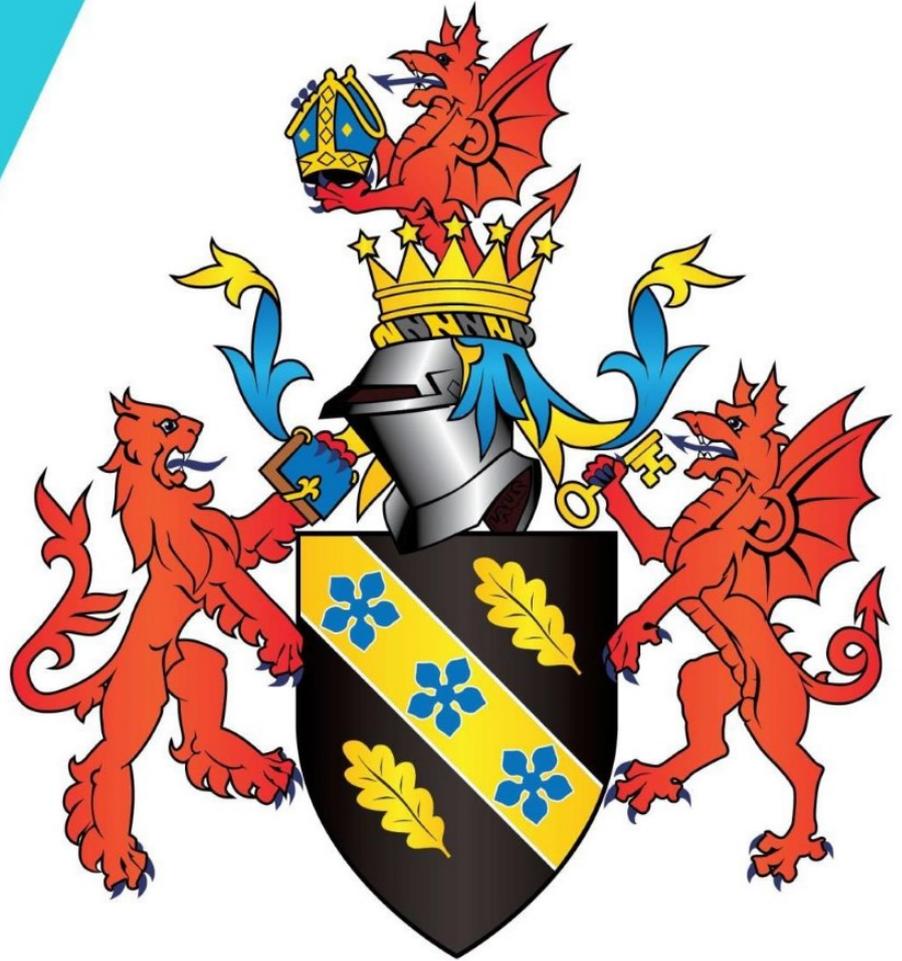




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Environment Policy

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1.0 Introduction

The University of Wales Trinity Saint David Group, including Coleg Sir Gar and Coleg Ceredigion recognise that environmental issues are fundamental to the future health and wellbeing of all those involved across our institutions, the wider community and our planet. Thus we are committed to embedding sustainability across our campus, curriculum, community and culture. This provides a stimulating, progressive and sustainable environment for learning, including full consideration of social, economic and environmental impacts and opportunities.

2.0 Policy

The scope of this policy is to ensure the supporting of the environment within the Group and to help address the following areas:

- Reduce energy consumption and associated carbon equivalent emissions for the Group, described within a single Carbon Management Plan
- Maintain our commitment to pollution prevention, minimising controllable sources fugitive emissions and complying with all relevant environmental legislation related to the Group's activities. Where no legislation exists we aim to comply with sector best practice.
- Build partnerships and take part in networks to share experience and knowledge of sustainability with the affiliated Student Unions and broader community and contribute to debate on sustainability issues.
- To actively encourage and support the teaching of and research into sustainable development across the Group within the Education and Research for Sustainable Development framework.
- Improve resource efficiency using the waste hierarchy, including only procuring what is necessary, maximizing reuse and recycling and avoiding waste to landfill
- Continue to protect and manage the heritage buildings occupied by the Group and implement a Biodiversity Policy that actively protects and enhances wildlife.
- Implement the Group Sustainable Procurement Policy and reduce supply chain scope three carbon emissions.
- Support Fairtrade throughout our supply chains and maintain accreditation.
- Reduce business travel, commuting and delivery mileage by implementing the Group wide Green Framework Travel Plan. Encourage and promote walking, cycling, public transport and car-sharing alongside and other initiatives such as video-conferencing.
- Reduce water consumption by implementing a water management plan.
- Adopt high environmental standards for planning the development of our campuses and construction and refurbishment projects; all new buildings will aspire to achieve BREEAM excellent certification or equivalent. Materials should be sourced which minimise adverse environmental impact with a preference for the use of recyclable materials whenever appropriate.



- Continual improvement of the Group’s environmental performance as part of a single, certified means of a certified EMS and publically available, annual Environmental Statement.

3.0 Links to other policies / procedures

- Environmental Policy
- Sustainability Strategy
- Sustainable Procurement Policy
- Sustainable Food Policy
- Carbon Management Plan
- Biodiversity Policy

These policies are available on the [UWTSD internet site](#).

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