

LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE & TROPICAL MEDICINE
SUSTAINABILITY GROUP
SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

A. POLICY STATEMENT

The London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine is committed to the responsible use of energy, water and other resources with the aim of minimizing:

- its effects on the environment
- energy and water consumption

whilst maintaining operational goals and an acceptable working/living environment for staff and students.

The London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine is committed to achieving best practice benchmark standards in energy efficiency for higher education establishments wherever practicable.

To this end the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine 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.

B STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

1. To implement measures aimed at reducing the carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions associated with School buildings and staff and student travel as outlined in the LSHTM *Energy Policy* and at minimizing use of water and other resources
2. To contract the supply of energy and water in ways that help to achieve its sustainability objectives at competitive cost to the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
3. To publish clear targets for reducing energy use, carbon dioxide emissions and water consumption which are specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound.
4. To provide regular data on energy use, CO₂ emissions and water consumption relevant to the School's sustainability objectives
5. To invest in energy efficient plant and projects in existing premises where this can be demonstrated to be cost-effective
6. To design in energy efficiency to all new buildings, refurbishments and equipment.

7. To minimize as far as is practicable gaseous emissions and waste products which are likely to cause damage to the environment
8. To increase the energy awareness and facilitate behaviour change of staff and students.
9. To procure goods and services from organizations who demonstrate a positive commitment to sustainability where it is practical and cost effective to do so, and to influence the procurement strategies of consortia of which the School is member.
10. To review and update the Sustainability Policy at intervals of not less than three years.

More detailed policy objectives and actions are described in:

- *Sub-policies on Energy and Water, Travel*
- *Implementation Strategy*
- *Data Monitoring Reports.*

A Procurement and Re-cycling policy is currently (March 2009) under development.

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