

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

1. INTRODUCTION

As the population grows, so do our demands on the planet. Managing this resource and the associated impacts has never been so important. W* r635

At Harper Adams University, we are the leading specialist university tackling the future development of our planet's food production, processing, animal sciences, engineering, land management and sustainable business. Our mission is to provide world leading higher education and research for the delivery of sustainable food chains and the protection of rural resources for future generations. Our climate is changing though and our Strategic Plan 2020 to 2025 recognises the need to turn the climate change debate into action through collaboration with others to ensure climate change mitigation and adaptation is embedded in our work and has greater visibility within industry and the professions.

2. OWNERSHIP

This policy is owned by Harper Adams University and has overall responsibility for environmental performance improvement. Operational implementation is led by the Environmental and Sustainability Manager.

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Set in a unique rural location on the edge of Newport, Shropshire Harper Adams has more than 4,000 students, with 2,600 students on undergraduate and postgraduate awards. With a 635 hectare farm, our mission is to provide: World leading higher education and research for the delivery of sustainable food chains and the protection of rural resources for future generations.

The University is committed to:

- Protecting the environment by preventing pollution whenever possible through a reduction in emissions and discharges and minimising waste production as far as is practicable through the application of the waste hierarchy

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5. GOVERNANCE PROCESS

This Policy has been developed by the Sustainability Steering Group and approved at the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

The official signatory is the University Secretary and the Policy will be reviewed annually and/or when there is a change in related environmental legislation/regulation.

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8. DEFINITIONS

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