

## BSU ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES 2011 - 12

Environmental Policy Statements	Module	Objective	Target
<p><b>Establish and maintain an Environmental Management System (EMS) through EcoCampus and ISO 14001 accreditation in order to ensure that the environmental impact of the University including associated risks is monitored, controlled and minimized, and that we continue to make improvements</b></p>	<p><b>Environmental Management System</b></p>	<p>Continuously improve the functioning of the University's Environmental Management System to reduce BSU's environmental impact, comply with legislative requirements and prevent pollution. This will ensure EcoCampus Platinum and ISO 14001 certification is maintained.</p>	
<p><b>comply fully with all environmental legislation, regulations and agreements</b></p>	<p><b>Health Safety and Welfare, EMS requirement</b></p>	<p>Ensure full compliance with legal requirements pertaining to Health, Safety and the environment</p>	<p>Achieve 100% compliance to legal requirements for Newton Park and Sion Hill</p>
<p><b>reduce our carbon emissions through our carbon management plan which includes measures to ensure we meet and exceed statutory sector targets</b></p>	<p><b>Energy</b></p>	<p>Reduce CO2 emissions resulting from the university's activities and Infrastructure</p>	<p>Achieve 50% reduction in CO2 by 2020 in line commitments within the Carbon Management Plan</p>
<p><b>promote sustainable modes of transport including walking, travelling by bus, car sharing and cycling</b></p>	<p><b>Sustainable Transport</b></p>	<p>Promote sustainable modes of transport and reduce the number of sole-occupancy car journeys to the university campuses</p>	<p>Reduce the number of staff and students travelling to campus by car by 10% by promoting cycling to work, car-sharing and bus travelling</p>
			<p>Increase the number of people registered for car sharing by 100% by Dec 2011</p>
<p><b>minimise the impact and use of natural resources by reducing water use, preventing pollution, reusing materials, recycling and reducing waste to landfill</b></p>	<p><b>Waste Management</b></p>	<p>Reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill and increase the amount of waste captured for recycling</p>	<p>Attain 70% recycling rate by July 2012 by increasing food waste capture rate and preventing waste at source</p>

	<b>Emissions and Discharges</b>	Ensure 100% Compliance to legislation regarding emissions and discharges	Monitoring and testing of composition of discharges once a year
	<b>Water</b>	Reduce water consumption	Achieve a minimum of 10% reduction in water use by promoting water efficiency measures and prompt detection and response to incidents of water leaks.
<b>manage the university's property portfolio in a manner that maintains and encourages biodiversity; this will includes adopting sustainable construction practices where possible</b>	<b>Biodiversity, Construction and Refurbishment</b>	Encourage biodiversity and reduce impact of construction & refurbishment works on the environment	Ensure 50% capture of food waste in Newton Park and actioning biodiversity audits carried out.
<b>adopt sustainable purchasing and the use of environmentally sound goods and services</b>	<b>Sustainable Purchasing</b>	Ensure sustainable options are considered when making procurement decisions	Increase awareness of sustainable purchasing among staff by promoting the guidance document and developing a sustainable construction guide.
<b>engage with other institutions and the wider community to share environmental best practice and demonstrate environmental responsibility</b>	<b>Community Involvement</b> ; Sharing best practice; Networking	Increase environmental awareness and collaboration and increase volunteering opportunities that would bring benefit to the University and the wider community	Increase the number of links to groups and institutions involved in the environment and volunteering sector through the student's union and funding bodies.
<b>promote education for sustainable development in the curriculum to all students</b>	<b>Action plan currently being formulated</b>		
<b>promote environmental awareness and responsibility amongst all staff and students through awareness campaigns and training programmes</b>	<b>Environment team - Communication and awareness campaign. For more information refer to Loreus folder 3.2 Training, Competence and Awareness - Via Green Focus</b>		