# 2.0 UPDATE ON 2022/23 TARGETS

| Section | 2022/23 headline targets | 2022/23 target status | Details | SDGs supported |
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| 3.0 Environmental sustainability strategy — PAGE 8 | Publish new environmental sustainability strategy in academic year 2022/23 | No progress | Publication delayed to 2023/24 | 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |
| 5.0 Compliance and management systems — PAGE 12 | Transfer to new external auditor and maintain the EEMS to the ISO14001:2015 and ISO50001:2018 standard to retain certification | Achieved | New auditor in post and EEMS certification maintained | 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |
| 6.0 Energy and carbon — PAGE 13 | Achieve 5–10% energy savings to support progress towards our interim 2024 carbon reduction target | Achieved | Further carbon emissions reductions this year mean our emissions are now 61.2% below our 2008/09 baseline | 7 Affordable and Clean Energy; 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure; 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 13 Climate Action |
| | Develop an Energy Action Plan, setting out plans for the next three years to reduce carbon emissions, energy, and utilities costs across the University | Amended | Original target to develop an Energy Action Plan has been replaced with updating the Net Zero Carbon plan in line with SCEF. Progress has been made towards this | |
| 7.0 Water — PAGE 17 | Review and develop plan for improved building-level water metering across the estate | Progress | Water meter review has been completed and a plan developed, with a project commissioned to install more building-level water meters across campus, commencing 2023/24 | 6 Clean Water and Sanitation; 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities |
| | Maintain water usage at the same level as last year | No progress | 2022/23's consumption has risen dramatically, now only 5% below the 2011/12 baseline compared with 43% in 2021/22. | |
| 8.0 Waste and resource use — PAGE 18 | Continue to reduce annual total operational waste produced per person (staff and student FTE) and move the University's waste up the Waste Hierarchy | Progress | Waste produced per person is 35% lower than 2015/16 baseline, although this is higher than the last two years due to a rebound of on-site working following the COVID-19 pandemic | 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure; 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 12 Responsible Consumption and Production; 15 Life on Land |
| | Develop the three-year Delivery Plan to enact the Waste and Resource Management Strategy and monitor progress against its objectives and targets | Achieved | Three-year Delivery Plan produced, approved and published | |
| 9.0 Sustainable travel — PAGE 22 | Produce new five-year Travel Plan, utilising the results from the 2022 Travel Survey | Progress | Publication delayed to 2023/24, interim one-year Travel Plan produced in the meantime | 3 Good Health and Well-being; 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure; 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 13 Climate Action |
| | Launch trial of new Park and Ride scheme to the University | Achieved | Park and Ride scheme launched | |
| | Launch the University's new Sustainable Travel Principles, seeking to cut business travel emissions and encourage the uptake of low-carbon forms of commuter travel | Achieved | Sustainable Travel Principles launched and business travel policy published | |
| 10.0 Engagement, awareness and behaviour change — PAGE 24 | Commence the University's sustainable behaviours programme | Achieved | Our Future First sustainable behaviours programme launched and network of 40 sustainability champions developed | 3 Good Health and Well-being; 4 Quality Education; 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |
| 11.0 Environmental protection and pollution prevention — PAGE 26 | Maintain our target of no more than three emissions/discharges incidents from University activities on a rolling three-year average | Achieved | No more than three environmental incidents reported in 2022/23, in line with our target | 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 13 Climate Action |
| 12.0 Responsible procurement — PAGE 29 | Attain the Fairtrade Universities and College Award, which we are currently working towards | Achieved | Fairtrade University Two Star status awarded | 1 No Poverty; 5 Gender Equality; 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth; 10 Reduced Inequalities; 12 Responsible Consumption and Production; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |
| | Consider how to reduce procurement-related, scope 3 emissions, led by our Responsible Procurement Group | No progress | Engaged with organisations to help us better understand how to improve the capture and quality of data for our procurement-related, scope 3 emissions calculations ahead of implementing reduction initiatives | |
| 13.0 Conservation and biodiversity — PAGE 30 | Develop a new biodiversity plan for publication in 2022/23 | Progress | Publication delayed to 2023/24, baseline study completed in 2022/23 | 13 Climate Action; 14 Life Below Water; 15 Life on Land |
| 14.0 Community and community involvement — PAGE 31 | Hold or take part in a clean-up event in our local area | Achieved | Multiple staff and student litter pick events held in 2022/23 | 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure; 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |
| | Improve the capture of information on community events held, to support the future measurement and setting of annual targets to improve engagement | Achieved | Data now being captured on community forums and litter picks and 2023/24 targets set | |
| 15.0 Sustainable food — PAGE 32 | Make progress towards target of 25% reduction in food emissions intensity (kg of $CO_2$ per kg of protein-based foods purchased) by 2030, as measured by MCURC's Collective Impact Initiative Methodology | Progress | So far, we have achieved a substantial decline in % of beef used, and our focus now will be utilising less carbon-intensive major protein sources to reduce our food emissions in the future by following a plant-forward approach to all meals | 2 Zero Hunger; 3 Good Health and Well-being; 12 Responsible Consumption and Production |
| | Develop a plan for reducing carbon emissions from energy used in campus catering facilities, including heating and hot water | Progress | A number of projects have been implemented to reduce energy use/carbon emissions within our campus catering facilities | |
| 16.0 Education for sustainable development — PAGE 34 | Develop a new ESD plan for publication in 2022/23 | Progress | Publication delayed to 2023/24, and a commitment made to develop a University-Wide Module for all students to provide a comprehensive grounding in climate and environmental sustainability | 4 Quality Education; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |
| 17.0 Ethical investment and banking — PAGE 36 | Review and enhance our ethical investment policy | Achieved | New investment policy published with additional criteria to support sustainability | 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth; 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure; 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |
| 18.0 Ethical careers and recruitment — PAGE 37 | Review and enhance our terms and conditions around ethics and sustainability in careers and recruitment | Progress | A review has been undertaken to identify the ways in which we may be able to develop our terms relating to ethics and sustainability in the future | 5 Gender Equality; 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth; 10 Reduced Inequalities; 17 Partnerships for the Goals |

## Key

- ⊖ No progress made towards target
- ➡ Progress made towards target
- ✓ Target achieved
- ? Target amended