

Waste Management

Table 1: Actions required to meet the waste reduction target for 2018/19

Action	Comment	Progress
Keep RUSU/Catering Yard waste	Total waste produced shows a 5.2% reduction	On track
production stable (+/- 1%) at 2015/16	against the baseline year of 2015/16.	
levels.		
Halve the rate of waste increase (1.5%)	The Library, URS and Chancellors are reported	On track
at the Library.	together due to recent space moves and	
	interactions. These buildings show a 25%	
	reduction in total waste produced against the	
	baseline year of 2015/16.	
Halve the rate of waste increase (1.5%)	In combination, there is an overall 13%	On track
at the science buildings (Harborne,	reduction against last year, and an 11%	
Knight, AMS, Chemistry, Hopkins, Food	reduction in total waste produced against the	
Bioscience (Harry Nursten), Agriculture,	baseline year of 2015/16.	
Russell).		
Halve the rate of waste increase (1.5%)	Total waste produced shows a 5% reduction	On track
at Greenlands.	against last year, and an 8% reduction against	
	the baseline year of 2015/16.	
Keep paper and card waste production	There was a 4% reduction in the amount of	On track
stable (+/- 1%).	paper and cardboard waste produced against	
	the baseline year of 2015/16.	
Reduce waste by 1% through general	The total weight of waste produced at other	On track
behavioural change initiatives at other	areas not covered by the above has seen a	
areas of the University not covered by	1.2% reduction compared to the baseline year	
the above.	of 2015/16.	



Table 2: Actions required to meet the recycling rate target for 2018/19

Action	Comment	Progress
Increase recycling by 3% each year at	Recycling rate increased by 3.4% compared to	Not on
RUSU/Catering Yard.	last year, and shows a 1.2% increase against	track
2020/21 target of 70.4%	the baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling	
	rate for the RUSU/Catering yard is 56.7%.	
Increase recycling at the Library by 5%	The Library, URS and Chancellors are reported	Making
each year.	together due to recent space moves and	progress
2020/21 target of 49.5%	interactions. These buildings show a 4.3%	
	increase compared to last year, and an overall	
	increase of 6.2% against the baseline year of	
	2015/16. The overall recycling rate is 38.6%.	
Increase recycling at the science	In combination, there was an overall 1.5%	Making
buildings (Harborne, Knight, AMS,	decrease compared to last year, but an 8.1%	progress
Chemistry, Hopkins, Food Bioscience	increase against the baseline year of 2015/16,	
(Harry Nursten), Agriculture, Russell) by	which is on track to meet the 2020/21 target.	
3% each year.	The overall recycling rate is 37.4%.	
2020/21 target of 44.3%		
Increase recycling at Henley,	Recycling rate increased by 1.8% compared to	Making
Greenlands by 3% each year.	last year, and increased by 3.3% against the	progress
2020/21 target of 59.5%	baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling rate	
	for Greenlands is 53.2%.	
Increase recycling at HumSS (Edith	Recycling rate increased by 5.1% against last	Making
Morley) by 2% each year.	year, and increased by 4.3% against the	progress
2020/21 target of 58.3%	baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling rate	
	for Edith Morley is 52.6%.	
Increase recycling at Palmer/Carrington	Recycling rate decreased by 4.8% against last	Not on
by 1% each year.	year, and it decreased by 8.8% against the	track
2020/21 target of 59.3%	baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling rate	
	for Palmer/Carrington is 45.5%.	
Increase recycling at Agriculture by 2%	Recycling rate increased by 0.5% against last	Not on
each year.	year, however it decreased by 9.6% against	track
2020/21 target of 62.7%	the baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling	
	rate for Agriculture is 43.1%.	
Increase recycling at Meteorology /	Recycling rate increased by 1.7% against last	On track
Psychology by 2% each year.	year, however it increased by 7.4% against	
2020/21 target of 56.3%	the baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling	
	rate for Meteorology/Psychology is 53.7%.	
Increase recycling at London Road	Recycling rate increased by 5.3% against last	Making
campus by 5.5% each year.	year, and it increased by 11.5% against the	progress
2020/21 target of 60.1%	baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling rate	
	for London Road is 44.1%.	
Increase recycling by 0.5% each year	Recycling rate has decreased by 3.0% against	Not on
across the rest of the University not	last year, and it decreased by 2.6% against	track
covered by the above.	the baseline year of 2015/16. The recycling	
2020/21 target of 52.1%*	rate for other areas not covered by the above	
	is 52.2%.	

^{*} It has been discovered that the calculation used to determine the target of 52.1% stated in the Waste Strategy was incorrect. A revised calculation has determined that the 2020/21 target should be 61.3%.



Table 3: Waste management projects undertaken in 2018/19

Implementation	Location	Description	Cost (inc. VAT)
August 2018	All campuses	Re-use Challenge (engagement and	£0
		awareness activity) to promote the	
		Warp-it re-use portal and increase	
		re-use rates.	
August 2018	Chemistry building	Supply four fireproof bins to upgrade	£374
		facilities in building foyer.	
September 2019	All campuses	Sustainability Services launch Jump	£2,763
		platform to encourage staff	
		engagement with sustainability -	
		contribution to annual cost of	
		operating the scheme.	
September 2019	Chemistry and Harry	Recycling facilities upgrade – supply	Bought in
	Nursten buildings	new internal bins and re-labelling of	2017/18
		existing facilities.	
March 2019	Multiple buildings	Implementation of paper cup	£10,444
		recycling scheme, including the	
		supply of 66 internal cup recycling	
		bins.	
March 2019	Multiple buildings	Design and supply of labels for paper	£1,166
		cup recycling bins.	
April 2019	HBS and IT reception	Updating of recycling bins.	£52
June 2019 Library	Library	Supply of new external waste/	Included in
		recycling bins as part of Library	project cost
	refurbishment.		
Additional labour charges for all projects		£101	
Grand total for recycling projects in 2018/19:			£14,900