Waste Management Policy

Vision

Due to the diverse nature of activities on the University of Liverpool campus, a wide variety of wastes are produced and collected, ranging from general waste and recyclable materials, through to special and hazardous wastes. The University has a duty to ensure that all of these wastes are disposed of responsibly, using approved and registered waste contractors.

The University will adopt the principles of ‘the best practicable environmental option’ in the delivery of its waste management services. The University will apply a ‘waste hierarchical approach’ to reduce, reuse, recycle and recover waste products in preference to the disposal of waste to landfill.

There is a legal requirement for all who produce, keep or dispose of waste of any type to comply with the various regulations and the Duty of Care under Environmental Protection legislation. The University recognises the importance of meeting these legal requirements and to manage its waste responsibly, reduce the volume of waste sent to landfill and maximise reuse and recycling where possible.

Commitment

The University is committed to:

- Ensuring that waste management is performed in accordance with all waste legislative requirements, including the duty of care, and to plan for future legislative changes and to mitigate their effects.

- To minimise waste generation at source and facilitate repair, reuse and recycling over the disposal of wastes, where it is cost effective.

- To provide clearly defined roles and responsibilities to identify and co-ordinate each activity within the waste management chain.

- To promote environmental awareness in order to increase and encourage waste minimisation, reuse and recycling

- To secure where possible revenue for recyclable material to reinvest into the expansion of recycling opportunities on the campus and halls of residences.

- To ensure the safe handling and storage of wastes on campus and halls of residences.
• To provide appropriate training for staff, students and other stakeholders on waste management issues.

• To promote industry waste management best practice.

• To promote the use of recycled products.

• To appoint competent person(s) to provide waste management advice.

Implementation

The University requires all staff, students, contractors and anyone else making use of the premises to comply with this Policy and associated University Sustainability Guidance Notes (SGN’s), to ensure compliance with all waste legislation

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