



Environmental Policy Statement

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Qualifications Wales regulates awarding bodies offering general and vocational qualifications in Wales. Our aim is to ensure the efficient delivery of our services with due regard to the principle of improving energy efficiency and promoting sustainable development.

As an organisation we have implemented three Wellbeing Objectives to outline how we intend to progress our duties under the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. This Environmental Policy Statement directly supports objective 3 - 'To operate as a forward-thinking and high-performing organisation, with an inclusive culture, that delivers for the people of Wales'.

The responsibilities outlined in this policy, assist with the delivery of our commitments within our wellbeing objectives and the objectives set out in our [carbon action plan](#), also supporting our biodiversity duties*.

Our day-to-day operations have an impact on the environment, arising mainly through the consumption of resources (energy, water and paper), travel and the generation of waste.

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Qualifications Wales commits to:

- Ensure we are efficient in the way that we use, maintain and improve our office to create a more sustainable work environment.
- Develop a culture of environmental responsibility amongst our staff, contractors, suppliers and visitors to our building ensuring that they fully understand the contribution they can make to improve environmental performance.
- Minimise the use of natural resources in the delivery of our services, specifically energy, water and paper.
- Minimise waste (reduce, reuse and recycle) and prevent pollution.
- Reduce unnecessary travel; and promote responsible and sustainable travel in the performance of our duties.
- Comply with all relevant environmental regulations, standards and other codes of practice.
- Monitor and report annual environmental performance, striving to play our part in achieving net zero across the Welsh public sector by 2030, in line with the target set by Welsh Government for all public sector bodies.
- Dedicate appropriate time and resource to set environmental objectives and targets.
- Monitor and improve Qualifications Wales environmental performance through benchmarking against similar organisations and implementing recognised best practice.
- Commit to sustainable development through improving environmental performance to achieve the goals outlined in The Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015.
- Require our suppliers and contractors to ensure, where appropriate, that goods and services procured support our environmental policy
- This policy statement applies to Qualifications Wales and will be reviewed annually. This statement will be made available to all staff of Qualifications Wales through our intranet page, and any other interested parties, by request.

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November 2025

[Environment \(Wales\) Act 2016](#)