

National Assembly for Wales Environmental Policy



The National Assembly for Wales Commission ensures the provision of the property, staff and services required for the effective functioning of the National Assembly for Wales. Our aim is to be an exemplary organisation in terms of sustainability and to ensure the efficient delivery of our services with due regard to the principle of promoting sustainable development.

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

The National Assembly Commission commits to:

- Ensure the efficient use of our buildings and seek opportunities to minimise the use of natural resources in the delivery of our services.
- Dedicate appropriate time and resource to improving the energy efficiency of our estate.
- Promote our sustainability credentials to the public, our visitors and other stakeholders.
- Ensure all Members, Support Staff, Commission Staff and other building users fully understand the contribution they can make to improve our environmental performance
- Develop a culture of environmental responsibility amongst our occupants, contractors, suppliers and visitors to our buildings.
- Avoid unnecessary travel where possible and promote sustainable travel in the performance of our duties.
- Place sustainability considerations at the heart of transparent decision-making processes and integrate purchasing principles which favour those products and services which cause the least harm to the environment.
- Require our suppliers and contractors to support our environmental policy in the delivery of goods and services.
- Plan, adapt and ensure sufficient measures/resources are in place to future-proof our assets against the challenges of a changing climate.
- Comply with all relevant environmental legislation, standards and other compliance obligations.
- Maintain both procedures and physical measures to protect the environment, including through the prevention of pollution.
- Set ambitious environmental objectives and targets to ensure continual improvement, and publicly report progress against them.

This policy statement applies to the whole Assembly estate (comprising of Tŷ Hywel, Senedd, Pierhead and our Colwyn Bay office) and will be reviewed annually and made available to all staff and other interested parties through our website. It will be contractually binding on suppliers who use our premises and will be made available to anyone on request.

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Assembly Commissioner for Resources

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Chief Executive and Clerk to the Assembly