

## **University of the West of England Bristol**

### **Sustainability Board**

#### **Purpose**

To enhance the sustainability practices and developments of the university in all its educational and operational endeavours and thereby to enhance the reputation of the university and its attractiveness to current and future students and staff as a place of study or employment.

To consider contemporary and emergent sustainability risks, opportunities and challenges and to advise the University on appropriate actions.

#### **Terms of Reference**

- To support the achievement of Strategy 2020's objectives
- To support implementation of Strategy 2030's aims and objectives.
- To guide, support and develop the University's integrated approach to embedding sustainability in all of its endeavours.
- To oversee implementation and achievement of the current Sustainability Plan.
- To oversee development and implementation of the Climate Action and Sustainability Strategy 2030
- To advise the Vice Chancellor, Academic Board and the Board of Governors on progress with the plan and matters pertaining to risk and reputation.
- To share good practice and promote continuous improvement.
- To assure the university that the requirements of ISO 14001 -2015 certification are met.
- To assure the university that the requirements of Responsible Futures accreditation are met.
- To support the implementation of the Principles of Responsible Management Education (PRME) across the university.
- To advise on the sustainability implications of current and future policies and practices.
- To advise on the continuing appropriateness of the Ethical Investment Policy.
- To establish appropriate procedures to ensure effective communications within the university on issues discussed and decisions taken by the Board.

#### **Membership**

- Assistant Vice Chancellor, Environment and Sustainability, Chair.
- Director of Estates and Facilities
- Pro Vice Chancellor Research and Business Engagement, Directorate Sponsor
- An additional member of the Directorate nominated by the Vice Chancellor.
- The President of the Students' Union.
- A Vice President nominated by the Students' Union.
- An Associate Dean nominated by the Associate Deans responsible for Learning and Teaching.
- An Associate Dean nominated by the Associate Deans responsible for Partnerships.

#### **Clerk to the Board**

Terms of Reference for 2019/20  
Agreed at the Sustainability Board Meeting 7/10/19

- PA to the Assistant Vice Chancellor, Environment and Sustainability

**In Attendance and Reporting to the Board**

- Sustainability Plan Theme Leaders.
- Sustainability Officer, Students' Union.
- Green Team Coordinator, Students' Union.
- A representative of each of the recognised Trades Unions.
- Such others as may be required from time to time to discharge the Terms of Reference.

**Quoracy**

One half of the membership.

**Meeting Frequency**

A minimum of 4 times per year.

**Reporting Relationships**

Reports to:

Directorate

Academic Board

Board of Governors Finance, Estates and IT Committee

Reporting Bodies

Sustainability Operations Group

Healthy University Group

Knowledge Exchange for Sustainability Education Group