Environmental Sustainability at Lady Margaret Hall Policy Framework



EnvironmentalSustainability Vision

LMH is committed to reducing its direct impact and increasing the influence of its members over the environment by embedding sustainable learning through action and experience

Operational Sustainability

Making physical improvements, using technical solutions and changing processes to minimise the adverse environmental impact of our activities

Learning and Engagement

Leading by example and involving all members of our community Informing, motivating and facilitating engagement to inspire future change and wider impacts

Collaboration & Community

Bringing together the
College and wider local and
academic communities in
sustainability and enabling
them to work together to
make a difference

LMH is committed to reducing its direct impact on the environment by improving the sustainability of our operation and embedding sustainability in our decisions and processes. The College continues to take steps to reduce direct and indirect pollution to land, air and water by meeting compliance with environmental regulations and legislation, managing environmental risk and minimising the associated indirect adverse environmental impacts of it's activities for example through it's supply chains. Improvements in operational performance will be made through reduction of greenhouse gases, reduction of energy and water consumption, transport planning, efficient management of waste and resources, efficient management and construction of buildings, biodiversity enhancement. Also by seeking to change the behavior of its members and visitors by informing and involving them.

LMH recognises that as a leading global place of learning it has the potential and responsibility to influence the environment through the actions of its members now and in the future. LMH aims to help its members contribute to wider impact on social change and sustainability issues in their future roles. It aims to do this by setting an inspiring example in its own activities, by making it easy and attractive to engage with current ideas, by facilitating and inspiring engagement, and through it's own education and research. Our community will be motivated to have and use the knowledge and skills to address environmental sustainability.



Significant Areas of LMH Activity

Buildings Management

Introducing sustainable operating efficiencies and new buildings technology, and reducing the negative environmental impacts of our construction and refurbishment projects.

Gardens & Biodiversity

Limiting our negative impacts on natural ecosystems and environments within the College site, implementing measures to enhance biodiversity and increasing appreciation of the natural environment.

Travel & Transport

Encouraging and supporting staff, students and visitors to use low and zero carbon modes of transport. Facilitating and encouraging multi-mode and active travel.

Food & Catering

Working to reduce the environmental impact of our food (land use, water use, carbon and waste) through menus, sourcing and production. Raising awareness of how personal diet choices affect health and the environment.

Water

Using water efficiently in buildings and business use, implementing measures to reduce use of mains water and reduce pollution entering watercourses. Using technical solutions and behaviour change to achieve these goals.

Energy

Reducing overall energy consumption and increasing our use of renewable energy sources within that and so reducing carbon emissions. Using technical solutions and behaviour change to achieve these goals.

Waste

Reducing our total waste produced and increasing recycling within our reduced residual waste. Minimising hazardous material waste. Using technical solutions and behaviour change to achieve these goals.

Procurement

Taking information about the environmental and social costs of the goods and services we procure into account as well as the financial cost when making purchasing decisions.