

THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS 2015

Award Categories...

All awards are open to both staff and students.

Entries should be no longer than 250 words and can also include photos.

Please send your nominations to Sustainability@leeds.ac.uk by Monday 11th May

1. EMBEDDING SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH COLLABORATION

"Working together, reusing, buying collaboratively, sharing best practice and skills. Strong management systems. Coherent policies and procedures. Transparent governance."

To develop a collaborative organisation we need to share everything – from skills to ideas to resources across the entire campus. We need to ensure sustainable practises and values are a part of every decision making and part of a cultural norm. This can be through changing policy's, purchases, behaviours and much more. Let us know if you know anyone who has demonstrated this collaborative spirit, and has actively embed sustainability into the University culture.



2. BUILDING KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY

"Access to research. Living Lab. Sustainability literate students. Knowledgeable staff. Local projects; staff and students. Sustainability skills linked to employability. Innovative ideas. Engaging and vibrant campus."



The University carries out world class research and education, which means that it is crucial that sustainability is embedded into this. Therefore we would like to know about anyone that has firstly, helped to educate students or staff on sustainability (e.g. what it is, how it relates to job roles or developing sustainability skills). Secondly someone who has incorporated the concept of a 'living lab' (research carried out on campus or in the local area). And thirdly anyone that has shared expertise across campus or within the local area, or all three.



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3. BEING A POSITIVE PARTNER IN SOCIETY

"Open and welcoming campus. Positive message to young people. Cultural activity. Students as active and responsible members of the city. Reduces and manage physical impacts."



It is important when considering the sustainability of the University to not just think about our impacts on campus, but also the area beyond. This award is for anyone that has helped the University to become a positive partner in the community. This can be through various ways such as fundraising, volunteering, education or collaboration with local businesses. This individual is ensuring that the University is an open and welcoming space to develop knowledge, skills and as a result making it a happier and better place to work and live.

4. MAKING THE MOST OF RESOURCES

"Efficient use of resources. Reducing, reusing. Increase sharing. Travel choices. Self-generated energy. Performance Targets. Disposal options."

Resource Management covers a wide variety of impacts at the university:

- Energy consumption
- Waste management
- Travel – reduced car use, increase in car sharing, public transport, walking and cycling.
- Biodiversity on campus
- Resource use – increase efficiency, life cycle decision making

For this award we would like to know of any staff or students that have implemented policies, ideas or encouraged behaviour changes to ensure that we have more efficient and effective resource management at the university.



Thank you and Good Luck!