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The Higher Education Funding Council for Wales provides revenue and capital funding to the higher education sector in Wales. HEFCW's mission is to promote internationally excellent higher education in Wales for the benefit of individuals, society, and the economy in Wales and more widely.

In undertaking this mission, we have an influence on the environment both directly through our own actions but also indirectly through policy and funding. We commit to adopting working practices that have a positive effect, in improving environmental performance, preventing pollution and reducing the unavoidable negative influences caused by our business activities.

HEFCW will commit to continual environmental improvement by:-

- Reducing the amount of waste generated by reusing and recycling;
- Ensuring that procurement processes support the identification and purchase of products /services which have minimal environmental impact;
- Using energy and water in an efficient way;
- Minimising emissions from business related travel by encouraging the application of sustainable principles of travel;
- Ensuring full compliance with environmental legislation relevant to the organisations activities;
- Ensuring where appropriate that organisations we work with are committed to improving environmental sustainability;
- Managing our own activities to prevent pollution.

Signed -----
Chief Executive

Date: -----