

Energy Policy

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Queen Mary University of London (QMUL) is one of the UK's leading research-focused higher education institutions. We undertake research, teaching and business activities which impact our energy performance. As such, we acknowledge an institutional responsibility to incorporate sound energy management principles and practices across all areas of activity. We also recognise the importance of promoting energy performance awareness and education with our staff, students, suppliers, contractors and the local communities within which we operate.

This Policy sets out our commitments to continual improvement in energy performance. It provides a framework for establishing energy objectives and targets, and related energy performance indicators.

To support implementation of this policy QMUL will:

1. Implement an Energy and Environmental Management System certified to the international standards ISO140001 and ISO50001.
2. Ensure continuous improvement through the provision of adequate levels of human and financial investment, establishing structures, procedures and controls and setting time-bound energy performance targets that are reviewed annually and externally reported.
3. Comply with all relevant legislation, statutory obligations and, where appropriate, codes of practice, which influence energy performance.
4. Incorporate energy performance principles into the design stages of all new build and refurbishment projects.
5. Deliver initiatives that reduce energy consumption and increase energy efficiency in buildings and equipment, aiming to meet or exceed our long-term carbon emission reduction obligations.
6. Undertake audits and monitor energy consumption to identify trends and potential opportunities for efficiency measures to improve performance, this will include reviewing the potential to increase renewable energy generation on site.
7. Deepen staff, students and other stakeholders' understanding of, and engagement in energy performance.
8. Demonstrate how whole-life costs and energy performance are considered when purchasing relevant goods and services.

This Policy is fully supported by the Queen Mary Senior Executive and the Office of the Principal. The Sustainability Committee will act as the primary governance body to direct, control and monitor our on-going energy performance. The Director of Estates and Facilities has overall responsibility for the development and implementation of this policy, supported by the Estates and Facilities Directorate Sustainability Team.

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This Policy will be reviewed annually with progress shared publicly through our Sustainability Report.

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