

## **Environment and Climate Emergency Dual Assurance Terms of Reference**

The University's senior governance group responsible for the Environment and Climate Emergency Agenda policy and procedures, operational delivery and outcomes.

### **VCEG Lead and Chair: Director of Campus Infrastructure & Operational Support Services**

Member of the Vice-Chancellor's Executive Group,

- Provide institutional leadership, robust governance and a proactive culture for Environment and Climate Emergency on behalf of VCEG that enables achievement of University sovereign strategies.
- Ensure delivery, development & implementation of policy and appropriate processes.
- Provide feedback to university governance forums (i.e. VCEG, CIG & PSLT) as appropriate.

### **Management Lead: Director of Estates**

- Provide Estates leadership, robust governance and a proactive culture for Environment and Climate Emergency that enables achievement of University sovereign strategies.

### **Independent Member: Senior Member of Council**

- To robustly champion radical and courageous leadership that positions the university at the forefront globally of sustainable business.
- Provide guidance to the Chair of Council as appropriate.

### **Coordinator: Office of Director of Campus Infrastructure & Operational Support Services**

- Responsible for the communication and maintenance of an audit trail of decision making.

### **Advisors to the Group: Director of Estate Services, Head of Environment and Climate Emergency including members of the senior team as appropriate.**

- To be assured of the appropriate planning, approval, procurement, execution, and financial control (including value for money) of all sustainability activity and work streams.
- To act as Independent assessors and provide confirmation of approval/ changes required and or additional actions to be endorsed by Environment and Emergency Board (EEB).
- To review and update the Environment and Climate Emergency Management System, Policy, strategy, procedures and action plans.
- To reflect on alignment with strategic imperatives and priorities and advise EEB of any prioritisation requirements against non-committed project place markers.
- To assess and provide value judgement on status of the transformational change climate change leadership (required to embed Environment and Climate Emergency culture and deliver the EEB agreed outcomes)
- To receive quarterly communications and status update reports.
- To be assured that Environment and Climate Change is embedded within University, College, Professional Services policies and activities and decision making.
- To ensure that the work of the Environment and Climate Change Team has sufficient interface with other groups across the University and with local, regional partner organisations.
- To make regular reports to Council.
- To be assured that the risks associated with Environment and Climate Emergency are understood, that they are being scored and managed effectively, and that there is clarity regarding the length of time it is acceptable for a risk to be scored as "red".
- To ensure student experience and focus is maintained and inclusive in all relevant aspects of the delivery plan and programme