

West Yorkshire Consortium of Colleges

Climate and Sustainability Pledge

We pledge to

- Strive to empower employers and learners with courses and skills, that progress their careers and wellbeing, and that participate and benefit the green economy and transition to net zero.
- Educate WYCC staff to be aware of the climate emergency, environmental issues and issues that intersect with the climate emergency.
- Support partner colleges with the development of green curriculum and sustainability practices.
- Progress to become net zero in line with the [Luminate Education Group](#).

Our operations. We will

- Engage and collaborate with partner colleges, regional stakeholders and employers to address the climate emergency, whilst facilitating funded projects focused on green skills, sustainability and the green economy.
- Encourage the sustainable and ethical procurement of materials and resources for WYCC operations and supply chains.
- Plan events and delivery using methods to minimize our carbon footprint taking into consideration the venue, travel, products used and food waste.
- Utilise the #GreenWY campaign tag throughout WYCC media channels to identify and share 'green' messages and promote good practice that contributes to net zero.

Our culture. We will

- Raise awareness about the climate emergency and our role in addressing it, through our activities with partner colleges, employers and stakeholders.
- Commit to upskilling all members of WYCC staff with knowledge, training and qualifications in sustainability and the environment including aspiring to become carbon literate.
- Partake in volunteering that addresses the climate emergency.
- Inspire others by sharing our progress, journey, challenges and achievements.