

**Sustainability**

1. Does the Trust have a dedicated Sustainability Lead? If so, please provide their name and email address

Jan Ross – Deputy Director of Operations and Strategy - The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust does not disclose individual staff members contact details. You can write to staff using the address above or alternatively email [enquiries@thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk](mailto:enquiries@thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk) asking for your correspondence to be forwarded on.

2. Does the Trust have a sustainability plan to achieve NHS Net Zero and if so, please could a copy or link to the plan be provided in response to this FOI? No
3. Does the Trust foresee any challenges in meeting the targets set out in NHS Net Zero? Please choose from the options below

Question	Yes	No
1) Accurately creating a baseline and target for emissions reduction	*	
2) Meeting the CHG targets for NHS Net Zero	*	
3) Assigning resource to meeting key milestones or objectives to achieve NHS Net Zero	*	
4) Budget and costs required to achieve net zero	*	
5) Accessing Innovations In industry to help the NHS achieve net zero	*	
6) Gaining internal collaboration across all departments and functions		*
7) Gaining engagement to achieve net zero from suppliers (scope 3)	*	

4. Does the Trust have a designated budget set aside to make environmental improvements? if so, what are the amounts? [No](#)

FY22/23	
FY23/24	
FY24/25	

5. Is the Trust participating in one of the 40 Net Zero Carbon Hospital Standard Framework builds? if yes, please provide site information together with the start and completion dates for build. [No](#)
6. Is the Trust working towards discouraging petrol or diesel cars onsite across the Trust estate? if yes is there a date for introducing this measure and any further detail you can provide? [No](#)
7. What organisations or information sources does the Sustainability Lead and/or Trust consult, to broaden their knowledge of key sustainability initiatives, to seek guidance and inspiration or to research? [Government guidance, Industry forums, Other NHS Trusts, external suppliers, training courses, etc...](#)
8. Please highlight the statement/s which most closely relate to the Trusts belief in sustainability and value

<p>The Trust believes that, as new technologies and access to better, more sustainable materials evolves, this should have no cost increase of equipment and consumables.</p>
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NHS funding
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9 Does the Trust have plans to improve or focus on any of the following net zero themes in the next two years (please highlight or add a mark next to as many options that apply)

<b>Building and Environmental Infrastructure</b>	Upgrading and improving existing buildings	LED lighting, new boiler plant
	Optimising buildings	Upgrade of BMS system
	New builds with sustainable requirements (please specify what the requirements are and what buildings are planned)	No
	Biodiversity planting, storm roofs, sustainably sourced cladding	No
<b>Energy Consumption</b>	Real time energy monitoring technology	No
	Onsite renewable energy and heat generation	Re-commissioning of micro CHP plant
	Removing oil and coal heating systems	Phased move over to CHP
<b>Capital Equipment updates across Theatres with sustainable features and technology</b>	YES	
<b>Capital Equipment updates across CSSD with sustainable features and technology</b>		
<b>MedTech and Technology investment to minimise the use of paper and storage/archive requirements</b>	Yes	
<b>Better waste management arrangements (minimising landfill)</b>		

<b>Fleet Management</b>	Green Fleet Review	
	EV Logistics and Ambulances	
	EV Lease Options	
	Free EV parking onsite or other patient or visitor initiatives to discourage the use of petrol or diesel vehicles on site?	
<b>Supply Chain</b>	Reduction in single use plastic	Yes – packaging & product audits (e.g. procedure packs)
	Low Carbon Emission supply chain (Moving to European or UK manufactured products)	Yes – through work with Greener NHS and the national Procurement Target Operating Model
	Metal Instrument Reprocessing	
	Device Reuse and Refurbishment	
	Zero paper-based procurement approaches	Yes
	Process and Product Innovation	Yes
	Bio-based polymers	
	Electrified logistics and freight requirements	Yes – through work with Greener NHS and the national Procurement Target Operating Model
	Commitment to NHS net	Yes – through

	zero suppliers only	work with Greener NHS and the national Procurement Target Operating Model
	Increased weighting in tenders to Sustainability and social value (please specify estimated percentage weighting increase if relevant)	Yes (please see question 11 for detail)
	Decarbonised Construction and sustainable building methods/technologies	
<b>Supply Chain Innovation</b>	Supplier contributions to ongoing innovation and research in the field of environmental sustainability  Pilots with key NHS Suppliers	Yes – working with regional partners to share best practice sustainability including innovation, environmental impact, and social value criteria.

**Social Value (Procurement and Initiatives)**

10 ) Does the Trust include social value and community engagement within their definition of "Sustainability ?

Sustainability is included in the Trust's commitment to be an anchor institute/increase social value. Currently, community engagement related to sustainability is limited to when members of the community visit the Trust. However, community engagement is central to our anchor approach through employment and other initiatives.

The Trust also work with Rise Construction framework who invest in deprived communities through Procurement activity.

9. Does the Trust champion or participate in any social value projects? If yes, please can you provide a top-level list of projects ongoing or that are planned in the next 24 months

Yes, we support a range of projects. The most developed include:

- Employment Opportunities & Development (work with schools and apprenticeships)

- Employee Wellbeing (comprehensive programme)
- Equality, Diversity and Inclusion activities
- Sustainability
- Procurement
- Innovation
- Working with Local Partners

10. Does the Trust prioritise particular themes as part of their social value and community engagement activity?

All of the areas above are important. Further work to prioritise activities is anticipated over the coming months and years.

11. Will social value become part of the Trusts tender scoring process for suppliers in the next 12-24 months? if yes, how will this be weighted (an estimate is fine)

Yes – as per PPN 06/20, new Procurements above threshold will include elements of the social value model in scoring criteria. The aim will be to weight this at 10% to allow enough weight to be placed. Exact criteria will be determined dependent on the scope of the procurement/requirement. This requirement will become mandatory from April 2022, the Trust have begun to implement this in new procurements as best practice from April 2021.

**Thank you for your time.**