

Lance Holt School Policies and Procedures



Carbon Reduction Policy

Version Management

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1. Policy Statement

Lance Holt School is committed to reducing carbon emissions through the responsible management of electricity, gas, water, and waste.

We commit to:

Targets

- Reducing our consumption emissions from electricity, gas, water and waste from a 2015 baseline by 5% by Dec 2018.

Measuring, monitoring and reporting

- Measuring and monitoring our electricity, gas, water and waste annually,
- Monitoring the success of initiatives that are being implemented in our school to reduce consumption in energy, water and waste;
- Reporting our performance to our community to demonstrate our commitment and inspire others (i.e. in Annual Report and/or on Website);

Consumption

- Continually seeking opportunities to reduce energy and water consumption and minimise waste through technical initiatives and behaviour change;
- Conducting energy, water and waste audits (this includes student-led audits) every year to identify wastage and other areas that we can improve;

Renewable Energy

- Continually seeking cost-effective opportunities to produce and/or purchase renewable energy at our school;

Low Carbon/Sustainability Funding

- Utility savings are reinvested to support further carbon reduction measures in our school;

Procurement

- Procuring appliances (white goods and office equipment) that have the highest energy/water efficiency rating;
- When retrofitting, ensuring that we choose the most environmentally friendly alternative we can afford;
- Where possible, choosing products which have a positive environmental and/or social co-benefit;

Curriculum

- Supporting teaching and learning in the curriculum that emphasises the reduction of resource consumption and the benefits of renewable energy;

Awareness

- Increasing awareness within the school around our carbon reduction commitments by adopting a whole of school approach to reducing emissions. This involves creating awareness-raising initiatives that are run by, and target both, staff and students;
- Increasing awareness about carbon reduction in our community through various initiatives run by students, staff and parents;

Action Plan

- Creating a Low Carbon Schools Action Plan with identified actions to implement over a 12 month period
- Update plan on an annual basis

Policy and Target Review

- Reviewing and updating our targets and this Policy biannually to ensure continual improvement.

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