

**Item 11 - Appendix A - Leeds health and care climate commitment 2019**

# Leeds Health and Care Climate Commitment

## Our declaration:

As a Leeds health and care system we commit to working together to reduce our collective negative impact on the climate. Tackling climate change is a strategic priority for all partners; we will consider it in every decision we make and every action we take. We are honest when decisions are counter-productive to this commitment and act on opportunities to offset.

## Our climate ambition:

To be a climate resilient health and care system. To adapt, evolve, and act to improve the sustainability of the system, mitigate the impacts of climate change – especially within our communities that experience the poorest health outcomes – and better prepare us for future consequences of climate change.

## Our commitments:

We will:

1. Work together as leaders, decision makers and trusted community influencers to be a collective voice for change locally, regionally and nationally
2. Develop sustainable models of care that are carbon neutral
3. Use and support our Anchor Institutions to embed social value across our supply chains and through our procurement and contracting processes
4. Improve the way we move goods and people around the city by enabling more effective use of transport and active travel
5. Improve carbon literacy amongst our workforce
6. Invest in the technology and changes within our organisations that tackle climate change



## Steps to reduce our impact and create a net-zero carbon health and care system in Leeds

| 2020  |  |   |  |  |  |
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| Commission economic modelling to analyse the cost benefits of changes to tackle climate change  |  |   |  |  |  |
| Develop an organisational plan to improve sustainability, with clear carbon reduction targets (if not already in place)                   |  |   |  |  |  |
| Develop a collective carbon literacy campaign to raise awareness and influence behaviour change in both staff and public in our buildings |  |   |  |  |  |
| Provide information and promote active travel, car sharing to all staff and public  |  | 2021 - 2025   |  | 2025 - 2030  |  |
| Ensure climate change is on the system's risk register  |  | Plant 57,000 trees on our estates, 1 tree for every employee in our workforce                               |  | Work towards net-zero target by 2030 with carbon neutral models of care                      |  |
| Consider the impact of climate change within procurement and supply chain processes   |  | Reduce business mileage by 20% by 2023/24   |  | 90% of fleets zero emission (including 25% ultra-low emissions) by 2028                      |  |
| Factor climate issues into all strategic decision making, investments and priority setting  |  | Encourage staff to use zero emissions modes of transport  |  | Successful lobbying alongside wider partners to agree a mass transport system for Leeds City |  |
| Reduce and eliminate harmful anaesthetic gases with high global warming potential   |  | Investment in and implementation of an electric vehicle infrastructure for all health and care staff to use |  | Phase out primary heating from coal and oil fuel   |  |
| Assess the carbon footprint of your organisation (baseline 2009) and complete the 'quick wins' checklist                                  |  | Continue to increase carbon literacy within your organisation and for people you work with                  |  |  |  |

