

Environmental Sustainability Action Planning at Western Sydney University

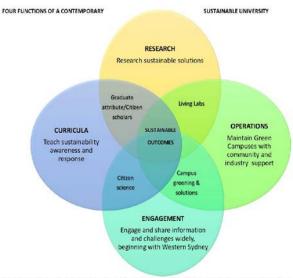
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Environmental Sustainability Action Plan

Builds on Environmental Management System

- Compliance and due diligence
- Environmental risk mitigation
- Commitment to UN SDGs
- Engagement through Living Labs



Key themes:

- Resilience and climate change
- Sustainable energy
- Water cycle management
- Green star buildings and precincts
- Waste and circular economy
- Biodiversity Conservation
- Biosecurity
- Peri-urban agriculture
- Transportation and travel
- Procurement and supply chains
- Responsible offices and cafes

Resilience planning and climate change

Embed in strategy and planning

Citizen scholars, Living labs

Integrative infrastructure strategies

Sustainable strategy and asset planning

Adaptation for design and operations

- Design, demand and comfort
- Bushfire and storms

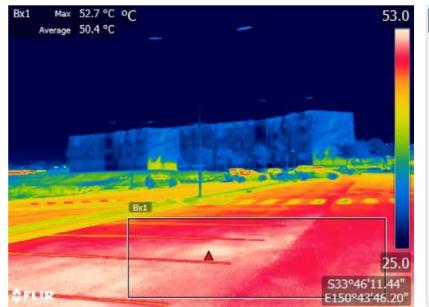
Sustainable energy

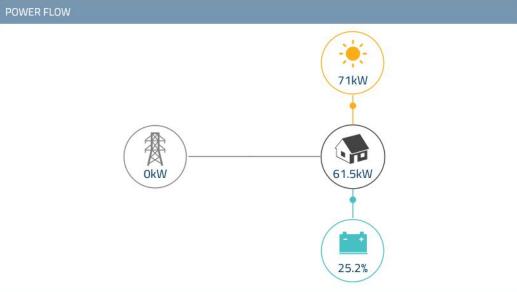
Strategy development

- Towards carbon neutrality
- Peak load reduction on campuses

Management initiatives

- Green Star building; BMS networks
- High efficiency solar hot water heating
- Modular PV: Rooftop / carpark / farm





Water cycle management

Non-potable resources

- Water recycling and stormwater
- Uses and risk management

Water sensitive urban design

- Building and precinct design
- Water use efficiency

Green Star buildings and precincts

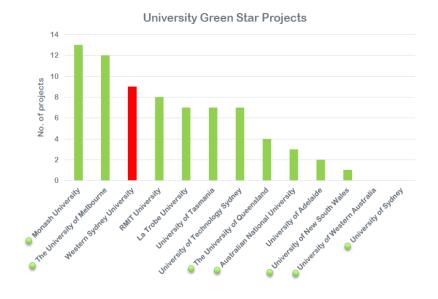
Green Star Buildings

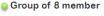
green building council australia

- 8 Green Star accredited buildings
- 6 Star Education As Built Science

Towards Green Star Communities

- Werrington and CBD campuses
- Established campuses, eg HWK





Waste and circular economy

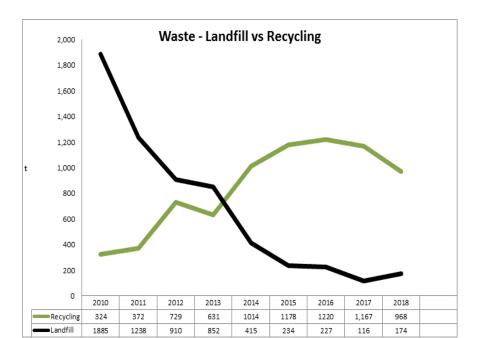
Waste recycling and minimisation

- Approx. 90% diversion / recycling
- 50% reduction in total waste (09-18)

Waste Compaction and MRF separation

- Contamination, illegal dumping, skips
- Sector waste recycling strategies

Green and food waste initiatives Impact of 'return and earn'?



Biodiversity conservation

Cumberland Plain and riparian vegetation

- Hawkesbury, Parramatta, Kingswood, Milperra, Campbelltown
- Bush regeneration; Bushfire mitigation
- Biodiversity Stewardship Site

Natural and cultural assets

- Teaching and research, eg EucFACE
- Cultural heritage Vineyard Creek

