

ENVIRONMENT POLICY



Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) works together to serve local communities, businesses and other partners with the aim of improving the city-region. We are committed to delivering this service in a sustainable manner. This policy covers the sites and activities of Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service and the core activities of GMCA based at Churchgate House, Manchester. This also includes Greater Manchester Waste Disposal (GMWDA) legacy landfill sites but excludes waste sites operated under contract via a third party. All other GMCA organisations including Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) and Greater Manchester Police (GMP) are excluded.

Greater Manchester Combined Authority has a sustainability strategy incorporating five overarching ambitions to be achieved by 2050:

1. To have a positive carbon footprint, averting more CO₂ emissions than we produce
2. To produce zero waste, reusing everything that we can
3. To cause no unnecessary pollution
4. To waste no water
5. To be leaders on sustainability

To support these principles we commit to:

- Take steps to reduce the environmental impacts of sites and operations.
- Proactively protect the natural environment and prevent pollution.
- Comply with all applicable environmental legislation and meet the reasonable expectations of interested parties.
- Continue to work closely with local communities to promote safety, wellbeing and sustainability.
- Consider life-cycle sustainability issues in decision making, for example when:
 - Setting strategic direction of the organisation.
 - Procuring goods and services.
 - Designing new buildings and equipment
 - Developing procedures and policies.
- Support partner organisations to enable better environmental, social and economic outcomes for Greater Manchester.
- Set objectives and targets to deliver our sustainability policy.
- Communicate our sustainability strategy and performance to all interested parties.

Signed

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