

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST

Students' Union Executive Management Committee
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Environmental Aspects and Impacts 2018-19

1. Introduction

The Students' Union maintains an awareness of its environmental aspects and impacts. This enables the Union to identify the activities or behaviours that have an impact on the environment as well as type of impact on the environment.

2. Environmental Aspect and Impacts

| Aspects | Impacts |
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| Non-renewable energy usage | Greenhouse gas Climate Change Natural resource reduction / depletion |
| Refuse / Waste | Energy used during transport and refuse processing leads to natural resource depletion Climate change due to carbon Natural sites used for landfill |
| Paper / Physical Publishing | Energy usage from creation, distribution and transport of materials Natural resource depletion – forestry – especially if source materials are not replaced/regrown Natural resource depletion – habitat and wildlife destroyed during harvesting materials Litter when distributed Natural sites used for landfill when disposed |
| Travel | Carbon emissions Climate Change Natural resource reduction / depletion – consumables such as fuel and materials for manufacture of vehicles |
| Purchasing | Consumption of materials Carbon dioxide created by transport and creation Energy usage from creation and transport |

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| | Natural resource depletion – manufacturing Natural resource depletion – habitat and wildlife destroyed |
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