

# **NICSSA's Net Zero Commitment**

## 1. Introduction

NICSSA is committed to reducing its environmental impact and progressing towards the ultimate achievement of Net Zero emissions. This policy sets out our commitment to sustainability, carbon reduction, and climate action across all areas of our operations. NICSSA recognises the urgent need to address climate change and aligns its efforts with national and global environmental goals, including the UK Government's Net Zero target.

# 2. Policy Commitment

NICSSA:

- Commits to progressing towards achieving Net Zero emissions by 2060 reducing our carbon footprint across all operations.
- Implements sustainable practices to minimise energy consumption, waste, and greenhouse gas emissions.
- Encourage staff, members, and stakeholders to adopt environmentally responsible behaviours.
- Invest in sustainable technologies and initiatives to support long-term environmental goals.
- Work collaboratively with partners, suppliers, and the wider community to drive climate action.

## 3. Carbon Reduction and Compliance

NICSSA aims to ensures that:

- Energy efficiency measures are implemented across the Pavilion, reducing electricity and heating consumption.
- Business travel is minimised, with a preference for virtual meetings and sustainable transport options.
- Waste is reduced through recycling, composting, and responsible resource management.
- Procurement policies prioritise sustainable and ethical sourcing.



• Compliance with all environmental legislation and best practices is maintained.

# 4. Supply Chain Responsibility

- NICSSA expects all suppliers and contractors to adhere to sustainable and lowcarbon practices.
- Suppliers should demonstrate their commitment to environmental sustainability and responsible sourcing.

# **5 Employee and Stakeholder Engagement**

- Employees will receive training on environmental awareness and sustainable practices.
- Green initiatives will be promoted within the organisation, including energy-saving measures and sustainable transport incentives.
- Members and stakeholders will be encouraged to participate in climate-friendly activities and events.

## 7. Monitoring and Reporting

- NICSSA will track and report on its carbon footprint annually.
- Progress towards Net Zero goals will be reviewed regularly, with adjustments made to enhance sustainability efforts.

## 8. Continuous Improvement

NICSSA is committed to continuously improving its environmental policies and practices through:

- Regular policy reviews and updates to reflect best practices and emerging sustainability innovations.
- Setting and tracking measurable targets for emissions reductions and resource efficiency.
- Strengthening partnerships with organisations that support environmental sustainability.



# 9. Conclusion

NICSSA reaffirms its commitment to achieving Net Zero emissions and building a sustainable future. We will remain proactive in identifying climate risks, implementing solutions, and ensuring compliance with all relevant environmental legislation.

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