

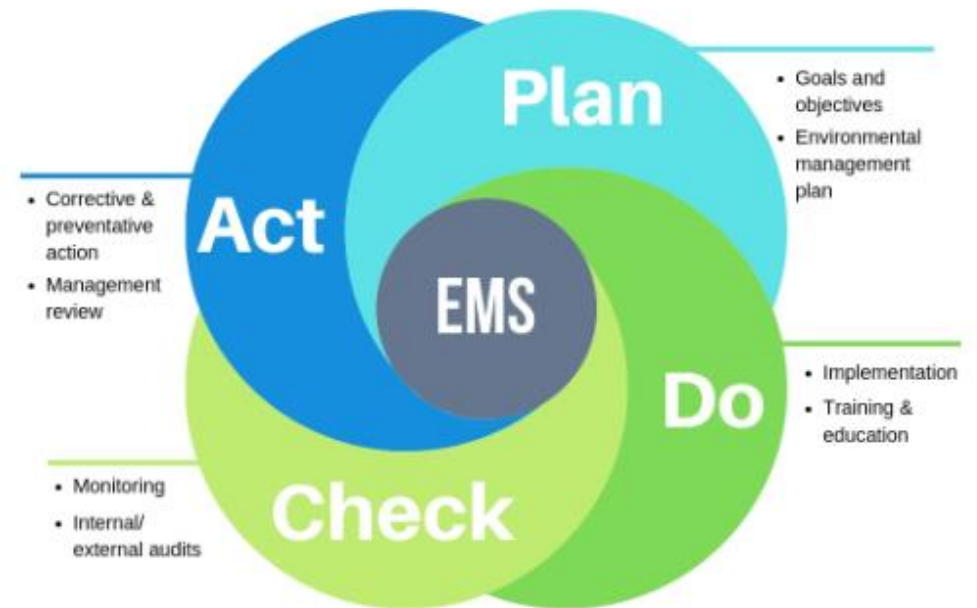
SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL



Environmental Policy Action Plan

Environmental Management System

- SCC has achieved BS 8555:2016 which allows organisations to implement and maintain an Environmental Management System (EMS) using a step-by-step approach, driving positive cultural change.
- EMS is a framework designed to help organisations monitor, control, and continuously improve their environmental performance.
- EMS can be used to reduce an organisations environmental impacts and improve operating efficiencies while demonstrating to stakeholders and interested parties that real action is being taken.



Community Engagement

- Continued support for People in the Park, which is an opportunity for the community to learn from each other, exchange ideas and generate plans for working together to help create a sustainable future for Salisbury.
- Since 2020, volunteers have worked with the City Council to plant over 3000 mixed native hedging whips in Salisbury's Green Spaces.
- SCC's Fun in the Park has now run for 3 years to celebrate Children's Gardening Week and helps foster a love of nature and being outside.



Community Engagement

- Supported the Eco-Hub who offer education, information and raise awareness on the Market most Saturdays.
- Supported the Green Business Association to encourage local businesses go green.
- Working with F3 Garden Project who supply freshly grown food to the Pantry.



Stone Rose Hairdressing

Increased Recycling of City Generated Waste

- In 2021, less than 1% of SCC's bins were dual recycling/general waste bins.
- In 2024 over 10% of SCC litter bins are dual recycling/general waste bins and this number continues to grow each year.
- The first phase of bins were targeted in the city centre with the second phase in play parks and at bus stops.
- In 2022/23 SCC managed 287.66 tonnes of waste, of which 100.299 tonnes was recycled/composted.



Carbon Footprint & Energy Supplies



- SCC's emissions for year 2021/2022 were 427.98 tCO₂e.
- SCC's emissions decreased from the baseline year 2019/20 by 15.2%.
- The next audit is due in April 2025.
- SCC uses 100% green tariffs for both electricity and gas across all sites.
- From April 2024, SCC began working with Inspired PLC to provide information on monthly consumption in every council building, so targeted intervention can be implemented.



Energy Audits

- Audits of lighting in SCC's buildings were conducted in 2022.
- Plan put into place to upgrade to LED's across SCC estate implemented.
- Every building now converted to LED's with the exception of The Guildhall, where works are due to start in 2024/25.
- This work will not only lower the Council's Carbon Footprint significantly but also the Council's energy bills. E.g. Cost for Crematorium lighting for 8 hours prior to upgrade was £95.00 and after the upgrade it is £25.00. Across 260 working days that was a cost of £24,700 and will now be £6,500. A saving of £18,200 per year.



Efficient Design

- Any refurbishment works used as an opportunity to increase efficiency as well as aesthetics.
- At Fisherton Recreation Ground Public Conveniences this saw:
- Handwash units installed instead of traditional taps. These dispense sufficient water to wash hands and then shut off to become the drier etc.
- Toilets work on infrared.
- Lighting is LED.
- SCC's first living roof installed.



SCC Vehicles & Equipment

- SCC has 21 vans/sweepers on the road, which are split between the Events/Markets Team, Streetscene & Grounds Team.
- 7 of these vehicles are electric and 1 is hybrid, accounting for 1/3 of the fleet.
- EV charging points installed as part of the Tollgate Road development works.
- No further EV Vehicles can be purchased/leased to replace remaining diesel fleet as none on the market are suitable. i.e. Tipper Vans.
- Battery powered hand tools have replaced petrol where possible and an electric mower was purchased, which is used at The Crematorium to keep noise levels to a minimum.



EV Chargers

- Agreements in place with EVC to deliver EV charging points in Lush House & Victoria Park.
- Combination of fast and rapid chargers.
- Zero cost to SCC with a guaranteed income of approx. £9k + profit share when installed.
- Churchill Gardens excluded due to flooding.



Fisherton Wildlife Meadow

- Dozens of volunteers have helped create a new nature reserve by transforming an old grazing paddock into a haven for wildlife.
- Working with Parks Officers, they have planted 80m of native hedging, created a new pond, planted trees, made bug hotels and created a hibernaculum for amphibians and reptiles.



Tree & Ecosystem Strategy

- SCC is responsible for over 12,000 trees across the city.
- In autumn 2022 Council agreed for £20 from every Full Cremation to be put towards additional Tree Planting in the City as a way of offsetting some of the emissions.
- In June 2023, a Tree & Ecosystem Strategy was finalised which provides the Council with a target of increasing tree canopy cover from the national average of 16% to 21% in each ward on Council owned/maintained land.
- The strategy provided the information and foundation for the Council to apply to the Urban Tree Challenge fund, where we were awarded almost £135,000 to plant and care for 100 trees in both 2023/24 and 2024/25.
- Tree Planting by year:
2020 – 43, 2021 – 99, 2022 – 87, 2023 - 332

