

Tackling Climate Change: Sustainability Survey

DN Colleges Group

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A short survey was undertaken at DN Colleges Group, using Microsoft Forms, to ascertain the views of all staff and students on sustainability and tackling the 'climate emergency'. A definition of sustainability was given as: 'responsibly interacting with the planet to maintain natural resources and avoid risking the ability for future generations to meet their needs'. Our strategic objective in this context is to "cultivate and drive forward an ambitious whole-College approach towards net-zero emissions and reducing environmental impact through innovation and collaboration" (DN Colleges Strategic Plan 2020-2022)

Q1. Respondent demographic details were sought.

433 responses were received: 150 FE students, 93 HE students and 190 staff

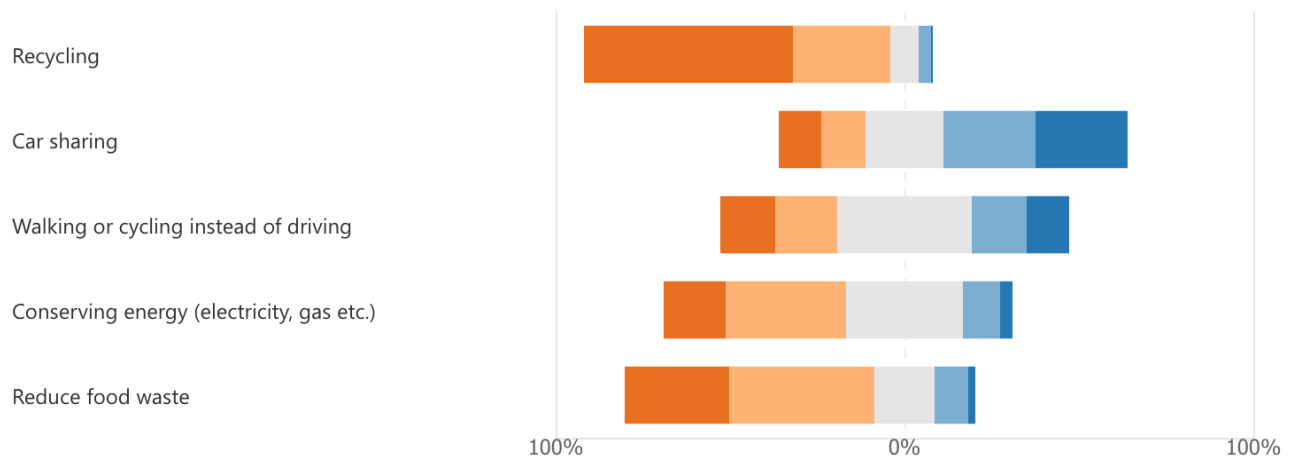
Q2. Sustainability aims to battle against the climate emergency. How important is tackling this climate emergency to you?

1 = Not Important | 5 = Very Important

433 responses: **4.15** Average Number

Q3. Do you do any of the following in your daily life?

■ All of the time ■ Most of the time ■ Some of the time ■ Rarely ■ Never



Q4. Methods of sustainability can help battle against the climate emergency.

How important is it that DN Colleges Group adopt methods of sustainability?

1 = Not Important | 5 = Very Important

433 responses: **4.28** Average Number

5. Which of the following would you like to see DN Colleges Group adopt?

Select the most important to you.

● Better recycling facilities	180
● Increased wildlife conservatio...	83
● Paper/printing reduction	54
● Plastic bottle ban	61
● College allotment garden	55



6. What ideas and suggestions do you have for DN Colleges Group to improve sustainability? (e.g. "I would like to see more recycling bins")

308 responses – common examples:

"More recycling bins and recyclable cups and food trays"; "Less packaging and more recycling"

(see p3 for all comments)

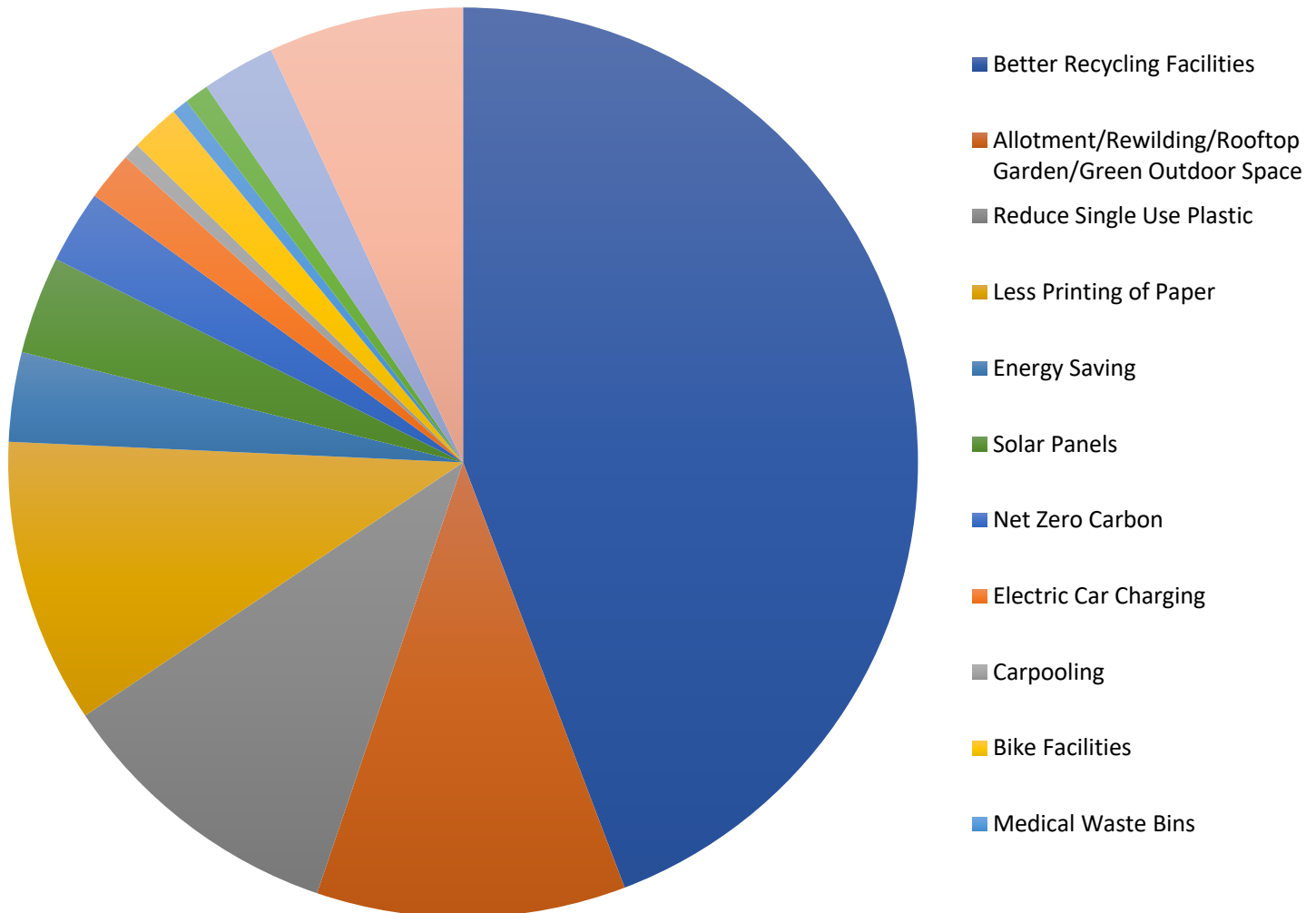
7. Would you be interested in joining a society for staff and students that aims to improve overall sustainability?

Yes	79
Maybe	178
No	176

Jayne Kelly (4th March 2021)

Summary and all comments from Q6

Please note that the data within the pie chart below and table below are indicative of multiple points and suggestions raised within the responses to question 6



Nature of Comment/Suggestion	Times Raised Across Responses
Better Recycling Facilities	153
Allotment/Re-wilding/Rooftop Garden/Green Outdoor Space	38
Reduce Single-use Plastic	36
Less Printing	35
Nothing to Add/No Comment	24
Solar Panels	12
Energy Saving	11
Re-useable Water Bottles/Hot Drink Flasks	10
Net Zero Carbon	9
Student Charter/Organisation	9
Bike Facilities	6
Electric Vehicle Charging	6
Reduction of Food Waste	5
Punishment/Fines for Littering on Campus	3
Medical Waste Bins	2
Carpooling	2

Listed below are the written answers for the question: **"What ideas and suggestions do you have for DN Colleges Group to improve sustainability?"** (e.g. **"I would like to see more recycling bins"**) within the Tackling Climate Change: Sustainability Microsoft form.

- Better recycling, Improved water management, Energy champions identified in all areas of the College
- I would like to see printing across the group lowered!
- I would have like to click more than one to answer number 5 as would like to see all of the suggestions come into effect.
- We currently have bins for recycling paper but we could have compost bins in staff kitchens (emptied regularly) for suitable food waste. An allotment garden feeding the canteen kitchens would be an excellent idea. We could have a community garden where students help to grow fruit and vegetables and these are distributed to students when they harvest.
- Recycling bins in offices, no plastic bottles, electric car/bus fleet
- Encouragement to turn electrical equipment off overnight and over weekends
- Recycling bins in staff rooms
- More recycle bins
- The college already use a lot of recyclable materials, I think the key thing is getting the students to use them. So more focus on education and encouraging recycling as well as other aspects of climate change. There are too many cigarette ends dropped on the floor, too much rubbish thrown on the corridors, seating as well as outside. People need to be more respectful of the environment and want to change it
- more recycle bins to make it easier
- Better recycling facilities in staff offices eg in kitchen areas
- Facilities for staff to be able to recycle across college.
- "I think we need to adopt all in question 5.
- Reduce lighting.
- More visible recycling facilities.
- Electric Vehicle Charging Points, The use of solar/ Wind energy usage
- facilities for recycling in staff rooms, offices and classrooms
- I would like to see more recycling bins for each staff office or within corridors for paper, plastic and cardboard.
- I would like to see more recycling bins for cans, plastic bottles.
- More recycling bins a good idea plus educate people on why it is necessary
- More recycling options and greater education on recycling. Not all polymers can be recycled etc.
- I think all the options in question 5 would be great ideas! I also think composting would be a great idea too with the allotment garden. Becoming more digital would certainly bring about a reduction of paper.
- I would like to see more done on Challenging some students with their inability to take care of their own waste, and more done to stress the importance of keeping Britain tidy.
- Better recycling and plastic bottle ban. Could only pick 1 option above. Also to reduce food waste. Sell off remaining hot food in canteen for a reduced price. I would think most goes in the bin
- It would be nice to have a wildlife area with seating that staff and students can walk around, sit and have lunch and for those studying such subjects use it for study purposes. However, it would be nice to see the college growing its on fresh produce either for use on sight or for resale where staff/students are able to buy reasonably priced goods.
- I would like sustainability to be embedded into the curriculum, for every student to recognise the importance as part of their programme. A short course for example
- More recycling bins for plastic bottles and cans in offices
- More recycling bins, no plastic bottles on sale in college

- An Allotment garden would be good. The produce grown could be used in the kitchens but also be provided to the students who are provided with food parcels to encourage healthy eating. It could also be donated to the local community like Blue doors. Students could be encouraged to grow the produce which may encourage them/parents to grow things at home.
- More paper recycling areas across campus, we have to walk to far to them and they are usually full.
- More recycling bins. Streamlined approach to printing (a lot of us have managed over last year)
- More paper/printing reduction
- various coloured bins for recycling... DN group merchandise mugs / flask for all learners and staff so the coffee bar do not have to use cups... DN branded water bottles provided to learners during induction rather than the plastic bottles... incentive to recycle bins with points - points gain you something...
- better recycling facilities, no single use plastic where possible, more green areas around the college etc
- Cardboard recycling bins in offices, more recycling bins around campus, eg. for plastic bottles, tins, cardboard
- More recycling bins
- Less heating!!!! I used to work in New Beacon and could not believe heating was left on overnight with temperatures exceeding 28 degrees when I walked in the following morning. Some radiators you were not able to switch off. Electrical equipment left plugged in overnight. There is so much energy wastage in the college and it can be easily tackled!"
- Better facilities for cyclists, safe secure storage, shower and lockers.
- Recycling bins
- Create a culture of sustainability
- Sustainability charter
- A towards net zero commitment
- Increase in insulation to buildings and structures
- Green areas (The Hub) - such as roof top gardens
- A paperless College - as far as reasonably practicable
- Regular colleague consultation
- Student charter
- Include sustainability projects for students"
- I suggest that DN College's Group focus on supporting students and staff before embarking on further strategies . Get the basics right and then people may care about other things at the college
- More recycling bins for different materials used in the office and staff spaces e.g. bottle and plastic bins
- All of the above options in question 5 would be great, but think better recycling would be a start. We have the space where they do the forest school and DofE to create a wildlife area, need to invest in some wildflower seeds now and get them sown in time for summer. You can order from Amazon for large areas.
- Less single use plastic and definitely more recycling bins across the campus.
- More recycling bins, Ban coffee cups and get us to use reusable ones, ban plastic bottles for water. We need better more obvious recycling bins and facilities. We should not be the printing of agendas for meetings etc. It would be nice to start having some green space around the colleges and for it to look more environmentally friendly.
- Proper sectioned recycling facilities, bird feeding areas, green planting, recycling by coffee outlets, lights turned off in unused areas, food waste in food outlets - too much wastage
- All student portfolios/resources to be electronic and reduce printing.
- "I would like the college to grow trees to be planted around our community in parks, etc.
- I would also like the college to tackle littering."
- A College allotment may encourage young people to appreciate where food comes from and eat more freshly veg/fruit

- We currently do not recycle plastic. I would like to either see plastic bottle bins or a plastic bottle ban.
- bird feeders on the trees
- Better focus on recycling especially plastics, ensuring all disposables are compostable etc, promote ethos of one vegetarian meal a week in food outlets and a college allotments for Catering students to educate them in organic foods with a hands on experience.
- At present there are very few recycling facilities not just for staff but students aswell. Having bins to separate general waste from recyclable waste, across the whole site would be a great start.
- Set the target to 2030, add recycle bins around the sites, remove desktop printers and add a few extra MFD printers, look at how much plastic we use in the college
- Renewable initiatives that include the students. Internal, which could include replacing the current rubbish bins with small recycling centres; recycling some plastics on site for 3D printers and reducing paper with technology.
- More recycling bins
- recycling facilities in communal kitchens for cardboard, tins, milk bottles etc.
- I have no ideas to add
- I don't know
- More safe and larger cycle store facilities, with added security, further incentives to cycle to work such as private staff changing and shower facilities, make the cycle scheme more well known, have interviews with current cycle scheme staff to share with others, consider cycle clubs and staff activities to build this community of staff.
- Stop doing: Coffee outlets only to sell coffee in reusable cups. Reduced packaging at coffee outlets. No plastic bottles. Stop the use of plastic covered notebooks and folders/wallets. Encourage digital submissions instead of paper. Start doing: Better green-chain cycle/walk ways within Doncaster, so that staff can cycle/walk to work off major roads. Improve the grounds to encourage staff & students to sit or go for a walk outdoors during breaks. Is there a way to create a green-chain walk near the College that could be walked during the lunch hour (the current options are very limited). Like the idea of a College allotment for staff and students to tend.
- i would like to see more posters around the college telling you to recycle
- Recycle bins near entrances
- Whilst banning plastics would help, also better recycling would help - does everything that goes in the green bins get recycled? Also, coffee cups should be recyclable
- More involvement
- More bins around the area"
- Recycling bins in each staff room
- I would like to see more recycling bins, more eco friendly packaging in the canteen, fines for littering.
- More recycling bins or two desk bins where we can empty the one with paper in to a recycling bin at the end of the day most people just throw paper in there desk bin for convenience so this could make recycling more convenient.
- I would like to see all the ideas from question adopt
- Go carbon neutral by 2030
- Recycling bins be more visible around college in all buildings/floors. A more flexible way of working allowing staff to work from home where possible to reduce emissions associated with transport and energy conservation. Reduce printing/photocopying - but this will need a greater investment in the classroom environment.
- I would like to see better recycling facilities, a plastic bottle ban, more use of email instead of letters, stock items to include more sustainable materials and reduce the amount of plastic folders/items that are used.
- More recycling bins especially in offices, getting involved with projects like the foil blankets for the homeless made out of crisp packets, drop off points for reusable items, terracyle, bottle caps, stamps etc

- Use roof space for Solar panels.
- Recycling of Construction materials instead of skipping everything and allowing those we pay to dispose of our waste to make a profit
- Please please please for the hundredth time of asking can we have a bicycle shelter which is covered and lockable. Ten years I have asked for this! I have said no to the question below because I do not have any time to do anything more than I am already doing.
- More recycling points
- ban all plastics - educate on reusable's and bi degradable
- More recycling centres with bottle ban on plastic. College allotment where the fruit and vegetable is served in the college kitchens and to help educate on seasonal veg and self sustainability.
- I would like to see more opportunities to recycle our waste.
- "It would be nice to see different bins in the classroom and communal areas: one for general waste and others for recyclables. As a lecturer, it is disheartening to see so many cans and bottles being thrown into a general waste bin each day.
- A college allotment would be great for the college - it would teach learners valuable skills and could also be used to supply the catering department. "
- Go carbon neutral by 2030
- Provide water, juices, soda refilling stations and ban the sales of drinks in plastic bottles at the college. Involve animal management students to work on wildlife conservation on college grounds (including Doncaster where bird sanctuaries could be created in various parts of the campus)
- How about Electric car charging points? Solar panels/wind turbines for reducing electricity needs. (sure there will be planning problems with wind turbines but we are in a great location for them and a good education/training opportunity?)
- Reduce use of plastic bottles
- I would like to see greater investment in sustainable power etc, Solar power, rainwater/greywater harvesting
- recycling bins , wildlife garden and allotment garden
- Do not buy or sell anything that is preserved or wrapped in plastic, i.e. pop bottles, sandwiches, etc.
- "Improve facilities to allow travel by bike (e.g. covered, secure bike storage, showers and changing facilities)
- Reduce campus sizes, increase work from home."
- separate bins located inside and out for plastic bottles and cans
- I would like to see a wider range and amount of recycling bins placed around campus.
- "More recycling of items other than paper/card. Would be great if both sites could have TerraCycle drop off locations.
- Less food waste and catering using more sustainable and local produce"
- Recycling bins in each building not just the diner.
- All of the above suggestions in the previous question, better recycling facilities, bird feeders and nest boxes, use of recycled paper for printing, rewards for using your own mug and bottles.
- Recycling bins in all communal areas
- More recycling bins and ban on plastic bottles
- More recycling bins and also looking at all take away packaging in the various catering facilities - including for hot drinks. For a little while plastic lids on hot drinks had been swapped out for (I think) compostable ones but they returned back to plastic.
- Power generation, sustainable and renewable heating.
- More recycling facilities and getting students more involved in local conservation eg. litter picking
- More recycling bins as the college produces a lot of cardboard and plastic from bottles but I never seen any bins to dispose of these in the college

- Removal of individual desk bins and one bin in an office. To stop using the white plastic bin liners in little office bins.
- I would like to see a ban on all plastic bottles/cutlery/polystyrene food containers.
- recycling bins around the building
- Plastic bottles withdrawn from sale.
- More use of reusable cups and incentives to use them.
- "More recycling bins.
- Make it easier for students and staff not to use, one use, plastic bottles
- Love the idea of an allotment garden would be nice if there was opportunities for people to be involved. Great for mental health. I have often thought the outside area in the middle of the college accessed on floor 3 or 4 could be used for something like this (carpentry and joinery should make the raised beds!)"
- more recycling on campus
- More Recycling bins and Banning plastic bottles
- classroom cupboards are full of paper and resources that could be used or recycled
- More recycling bins in all of the buildings and around campus. More information on how activities contribute to the carbon footprint of the college to make staff and students more aware
- As above, i.e. more recycling facilities.
- Separate bins for green waste in Floristry and Catering that are actually kept separate once collected and then the material composted.
- "Go back to the system of internal mail envelopes for delivery of smaller amounts of photocopying. Using new envelopes and new brown paper for parcels is not in line with sustainability.
- Don't ban plastic bottles (yet), what else would go in the vending machines? Encourage use of reusable bottles but ensure there are containers for recycling and that they are in prominent places so that people will use them.
- Encourage staff and students using the coffee shop/food hall, where possible, to bring their own reusable containers for food, as this has the potential to reduce the amount of waste from packaging take-aways.
- Invest in thermostatic radiator valves so that temperatures in individual rooms can be controlled more efficiently.
- Most staff are pretty good at reducing paper/photocopying quantities now but those with high usage can be identified and encouraged to look at alternative ways to provide resources for students and identify what definitely needs to be on paper and what does not.
- Raise the profile of the need to ensure that classroom computers should be turned off at the end of the day - encourage academic staff who have the last lesson in a room to make sure students turn off computers before they leave. It could reduce the problem of stifling classrooms in summer months to some extent, particularly in rooms where no fixed cooling system is in place."
- I work in Animal Management at NLC. We wanted to start recycling quite a few years ago and was told that we could do it, but had to buy our own bins and empty them ourselves. So we did. We have used a rota for our student groups and they all get involved emptying them. Our students also produced sustainability presentations with their own ideas on last academic year. We had many ideas, such as collecting rainwater, making greenhouses out of waste plastic bottles, and then growing our own veg for the animals....
- Recycling bins
- More awareness of the issues which highlight the small things we can do to help
- Reduction of plastic products within college"
- I think it would be helpful to have more recycling facilities on site.
- More recycling bins. Growing produce and flowers. Wild life boxes, insect hotels
- More recycling bins and active promotion of recycling - Doncaster College is decades behind other schools and colleges in terms of the lack of visible messaging and provision of recycling

facilities. Fewer paper forms. Recyclable/reusable takeaway food containers, no plastic cutlery.

- Easier ways to recycle everyday items
- Better plastic and glass recycling facilities, planting trees, less paper
- Catering - make fresh products with locally sourced veg and meat etc where possible, no takeaway boxes, plastic cutlery, sachets of condiments etc.
- Cans for corridors is an initiative to raise money for wildlife conservation and could be implemented across college by weighing in aluminium cans.
- more bins to recycle
- More recycling bins. Plus students more educated on how to use them!!! Instead of rubbish on the floor or left on the table in the food hall, which some people believe that's the recycling bin !!!!"
- More bins
- I would like to see more recycling bins
- Recycle bins within the College buildings for paper cups, cans and wrappers as there are few if any at DC. For example, many students and staff purchase drinks from the coffee counter but there is no place to recycle the cups at or near that point (e.g. a recycle bin). Also, with a building (DC) with a huge surface area it seems remiss that there are no solar panels on the roof or south-facing sides whilst zones such as LRC3 are 'sun traps' for significant periods of the day but that energy is not harnessed. There are many other similar examples.
- more recycling bins in key locations-solar panels - electric transport
- Less burgers and meat in the canteen. Less palm oil in ingredients. A far more extensive vegan/vegetarian menu. It would encourage a greater take-up if the vegan/vegetarian food was of good quality and variety and cooked on the premises.
- I would like to see it included in the students program of study.
- "More/clearer labelled recycling bins, electric car recharging points, smarter lighting (more LED and auto switch-off).
- Additional recycling bins in more areas, for example to recycle plastic bottles and cardboard as well as paper
- Provide all staff and students with a DN Colleges water bottle.
- More recycling bins definitely, especially for staff with milk cartons etc,
- More groups for students to join and better use of the green space on campus
- The College would benefit from having recycling bins in staff eating areas.
- More recycling bins with more prominent signage. Increased use of renewable energy (solar panels/wind turbines). Include sustainability as a part of the 'Tutorial' sessions / induction.
- Recycling bins in staff areas - the only ones I have seen are around the canteen at Doncaster.
- Encourage less paper wastage, maybe using incentives.
- i dont have any ideas
- More bins
- Audit all activities, and group into areas where there are similar issues (e.g. energy use or production of waste) and develop common strategies. Use a deliberately cross-college approach to encourage sharing of good practice and healthy competition.
- Start by banning plastic bottles and making it easier to recycle.
- Make demands on suppliers.
- Look above industry-standard for compliance.
- Set targets.
- Involve local or interest groups where possible to support and challenge.
- Find innovative or socially-useful ways to dispose of objects and materials that have use in them. E.g. furniture and materials after refits, laptops.
- Set up a group to research innovative approaches to all these issues - separate to everyday recycling initiatives.
- After covid more encouragement on car sharing if restrictions allow

- Restorative Justice - agree on admission if you are caught ie dropping litter you sort re-cycling litter bins - If you swear at staff you clean furniture, you damage property you undertake work in college to repay back ect"
- More and bigger recycling bins. They seem to get filled easily.
- I would like to see more recycling bins
- Recycling of cardboard boxes which currently goes into the skip
- I think all of the options above should be implemented.
- Whilst recycling bins are important, what is even more so is the need to stop using plastic, paper etc wherever possible and replace them with sustainable products. Ban plastic, reduce paper use by going digital on resources, assignments, handouts etc. Great idea to have an allotment garden and increased wildlife conservation in college. Show people where their food comes from and the effort needed to produce is and they are less likely to waste it.
- I would like to see more bins around college. And more help in recycling!
- more battery recycling bins
- stop littering
- id like too see more plastic bottle bins
- recycling battery bins
- i would like more bins
- Recycle more plastics
- Less general waste bins.
- No idea
- More green spaces for students and staff to sit.
- Recycling bins should be standard, prominent, and an attractive part of the College surroundings. Printing should have been replaced by online usage as much as feasibly possible through Blended Learning tools; Academic Services can offer a lot of guidance on this. There is more plants = more oxygen = less co2 = less climate change
- nothing in particular
- more plants around the college promoting green air
- I would like to see better recycling facilities
- solar panels
- recycling bins as well as general waste bins
- It would be great to see more things such as bug hotels and hedgehog houses dotted around campus although they would have to be carefully placed where this isn't a lot of traffic as to not disturb them
- Recycling plastic bottle bins need to be placed around college, there are far too many put in waste bins
- More recycling bins for cans/plastics ect
- more recycling bins
- I would like to see less printing to reduce the amount of paper used and also an allotment garden to grow fresh produce to serve in the food hall.
- More bins in general
- More recycling bins with different containers to enable people to sort their waste, e.g. Paper, Plastics, General, Food, etc
- More re-cycling
- Using green products that can be easily recycled
- Utilising solar panels to become more energy efficient."
- more bins around
- i dont know
- More offtern round the college so you can recycling
- More bins around collage
- I would like to see more recycling bins
- EV charging points
- i do not know
- more bins with specific recycling duties.

- n/a
- More recycling bins. More encouragement to staff and students to adapt behaviour to be more sustainable.
- More recycling bins in and outside of lessons
- More recycling bins
- it would be good to see more recycling bins and less use of unnecessary electricity.
- Nah
- Nothing
- I would like to see more reusable energy sources I.E solar panels
- I would like to see a bike to college scheme "
- ????????????????
- More places to recycle
- N/A
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- More recycling bins around the buildings
- The amount of plastic bottles and cans in the vicinity of Doncaster college and embankment is a disgrace and is an unpleasant environment. I would like to have some form of competition or enrichment for students to re-cycle all the strewn rubbish so it is a more pleasant environment at breaks and when arriving at the Hub.
- I would like DN college to get rid of plastic bags.
- To try and use less plastic items and substitute them with things like paper and many other things
- more bins
- better facilities to recycle
- I don't know
- Less paper records and unnecessary printing
- I don't have any
- I would like to see more recycling bins
- I would like to see more recycling bins and activities
- I would like to see more recycling bins
- Better recycling facilities and trying to reduce more waste.
- I would like more recycling bins
- i would like to see more recycling bins
- more bins, recycling taking place.
- More bins
- Use of renewable energy(solar panels on the roof) and more recyclable options around. Bins, canteen packaging.
- more bins to put rubbish in
- Like too see less plastic bottles
- I don't have any
- More bins
- Re using and sharing resources
- more recycling bins
- paper reduction
- Recycling bins next to the normal bins in and out of engineering area
- more bins
- Nothing
- Nothing
- dunno
- Having multiple recycling bins, e.g. one for glass, one for paper etc.
- N/A
- I would like to see more bins and recycling bins in the area
- No

- none
- Looking into ways of making fun for student to recycle - e.g. areas and student competing to see how much they can recycle. More noticeable recycling brighter bins, posters how much we have recycled in a month.
- recycling bins in classrooms for plastic.
- College allotment garden, it will go for a subject as well as a way to recycling extras from Catering.
- Recycling artwork such as giant mesh fish structures for people to recycle cans in (you see them on beach fronts)
- reducing the use of disposal items
- Plastic and can bins in offices and classrooms
- More recycling bins
- improve students awareness of the impacts of not recycling and easier ways to conserve valuable resources.
- I would like to see more recycling bins.
- I would like to see less plastic waste.
- Reinforcement of recycling. More plant-based food options. Reducing the use of disposable plastics.
- Less paper waste more iPads/laptops used for taking notes etc
- It would be helpful if they have more recycling bins. I do not have access to recycling facilities.
- I would like to see more opportunity to recycling card board/plastic bins
- I actually would like to see more recycling bins! Continued promotion of the car share scheme and cycle to work. For those of us who are too far out and impossible to take part in those schemes, don't make us feel guilty that we are not participating. Solar panel installation.
- More reusable cups, refill stations
- Increased wildlife conservation and better recycling facilities
- Better changing facilities for cycling to work
- Print double sided only, only allowed a certain amount of printing per month
- No Starbucks disposable coffee cups, like Waitrose!!
- I would like to see more bins appropriated to the relevant recycling category
- More recycling bins in offices
- A very small college garden/allotment is already in place for my learners, however, due to the pandemic, it has since grown over. There is plenty of land around the college that could be utilised for this purpose to educate learners on growing their own food and composting waste. It also teaches employability skills in different areas.
- Banning plastic bottles in college would contribute to a cleaner more sustainable environment.
- Some form of renewable energy installed/ wind or solar
- I don't know really, but the standard plastic reduction strategies or a food bank scheme to use the unsold products would be great as I know they through away.
- I would like to see an increased number of recycling bins and water fountain points.
- I would be interested to understand what happens to the remaining food from the canteens at the end of the day, that is not consumed by staff/students.
- I would also like to see a reduction in the amount of printing and paper used, as there always seems to be an excessive amount in the waste paper bins by the printers.
- For HE students, could discounts be provided for using public transport?"
- Roof to be used as a meadow area and if possible. More plants inside the building to improve oxygen levels and reduce air pollution. Better recycling. Eradication of single use plastic where possible.
- Plant trees based on paper usage
- more recycling bins and more recycling options i.e. recycling furniture, equipment,
- More recycling options. Reduce the use of single-use plastic bottles within canteens and cafes.
- Campus community vegetable garden - producing food for catering (catering class demos, cafe, canteen etc).

- Bike rental program - students travelling too and from bus or train station to campus.
- N lincs are doing a planting tree's section in certain areas near grange lane north/brigg. I would like DN colleges to take part in this as well.
- I love the idea of wildlife conservation
- Self sustainable electric
- More bins, developed conservation/ wildlife outdoor space, support the bees , paper reduction, increase the bring your cup for coffee/ tea, ban plastic bottles.
- Any little change can make a great impact - recycling facilities/paper reduction etc
- More recycling bins
- More recycling bins
- Limit paper use
- Plastics ban
- Medical waste bins in toilets please!
- More recycling facilities (plastic, cans). Conservation areas, paper reduction, waste reduction in general.
- Allotment garden would be great
- I would like to see improved methods of recycling, the water fountains made more visible ie. at the front of the building. Selling less items wrapped in plastic and less single use items. Stop handing out cotton tote bags as they create a bigger carbon footprint than plastic bags. Be more proactive in promoting positive behaviour related to the climate crises!
- Digitise as much as possible. To reduce paper usage. Plant as many trees as possible. Utilise as much green space as possible.
- More recycling facilities, a transition towards carbon neutrality, greener space.
- I'm an avid gardener and grow all my own vegetables. I think it is important for people to know how to and be able to do this. I think it would be a good idea to implement a small allotment for this task. It would greatly lower a carbon foot print, Promote recycling and lower waste
- i would like to see more recycling bin and have the opportunity to have an allotment garden
- Like to see sustainability in the building stock and wider estate for new capital projects or refurbishments i.e. renewable energy, green roofs, passive sustainable designs, sustainable urban drainage solutions, specifying the use of recycled materials or establishing cradle to cradle strategies in the strategic briefing of client's information.
- Solar panels
- More recycling bins around the college and in Starbucks you could receive money off your drink if you bring your own cup (not sure if this is offered - it's just an idea)
- while online learning, not having to print work off to hand in has saved so much paper, maybe something which could be done in the future.
- More recycling bins, more signs to encourage people to use fag bins (me being a smoker myself)
- Can recycling - you can also raise additional funds through recycling these at local collection points.
- dont have any
- more recycling, natural reserve part like flowers and habitat for wild animals
- More recycling facilities that are easily accessible and less food waste.
- more study areas
- I think more recycling bins, reusable cutlery etc for catering (which means a dishwasher also) and an area for bee's within the grounds would be excellent.
- More recycling bins, better way of dealing with food waste from catering facilities, minimum printing, recyclable packaging on food/drink products
- go paper free
- All students to have access to laptop to make notes so paper is not required. All assignments to be submitted only via turn it in, even drafts can be checked via emails, therefore printing is not required.
- Paper reduction
- Recycling bins instead of one bin

- Educate the students that it is difficult to recycle the cups from Starbucks and Costa. The paper contains plastic which cannot be separated at majority of recycling centres. It would be better to have ucnl branded coffee cups as a priority over those disposable cups. I understand costa and Starbucks is a big income draw for the uni and college but that should not influence the limits of sustainability that the college or ucnl implements. do they use biodegradable tea bags? If there was an allotment could the waste of tea bags, coffee, veg cuttings etc be used for compost? Can there be ucnl branded water bottles too?
- Assurances that any indoor recycling bins are going to be separated into recycling bins outdoors too"
- More recycling bins all around the college and reduction of polystyrene and plastics in the canteen.
- I feel there is a lot that can be done within the UCNL canteen. For example, I do believe that the containers in which we buy our food are not recyclable. All dinner waste just goes into the same generic bins. A better system for recycling would be good. Also the same could be adopted for costa coffee. Plastic bottle bins for the vast amount of bottles water etc that are bought. It is only since starting at UCNL that I have started to adapt our own recycling habits.
- Carbon net zero goals must be balanced and for our provision reducing things like printing is not always the answer; if anything working 12+ hours per day tied to computers has shown that it is better for our health to print articles to read than read from screens (many eye strain headache issues reported across staff teams). Students also report print material aids their study. To meet net zero we need to look at other strategies such as offsetting carbon through carbon credits; even fuel firms can be net zero this way.
- Reduce the carbon footprint of staff by reducing the need to travel to sites. Extend virtual working and create a maximum on site working time e.g. 3 days per week. Discourage students from travelling to site when virtual tutorials etc. can be facilitated. "
- College allotment garden would be fab!
- More recycling bin and also reduce or stop the amount of paper being printed.
- I would like to see more recycling bins ie in classrooms
- Lighting sensors in rooms/buildings to reduce electricity usage, recycled paper in printers and course material, reduced printing, solar panels, recycling bins in the canteen, environmentally-friendly canteen food packaging
- Community litter walks would be a fab idea. We could choose a location and go armed with litter picking equipment and clean up a beach or a would maybe and do one location a month. It would strengthen local community relationships and clean up the areas plus it will be good to exercise
- More limit of paper usage
- More recycling bins in rooms and corridors.
- more handing in of work online rather than printing off due to some tasks requiring vast amounts of paper work to be handed in as hard copies. only print off some things when a student requests.
- Recycling bins, composted animal waste rather than bagged up in plastic and put in a skip, reusable cutlery and plates (not plastic forks and plates), Eco insulated offices and classrooms, designated wildlife areas.
- reducing plastic use is one way as is better recycling, but people tend to just put anything in these bins so it's contaminated, therefore cannot be recycled, the reduction of paper is also good and so is attracting wildlife onto college grounds
- remove disposable cups from campus, have reusable ones instead, which can be washed on campus or encourage students to bring their own. reduce packaging and only use biodegradable packaging for sandwiches and cakes etc.
- more of those exercise bikes that produce power. "
- I would like to see a reduction in 'throw away' items and an increase in more sustainable resources used. An increase in solar and/or wind use would also be a step in the right direction.
- Less packaging and more recycling.

