**Yeovil College’s Sustainability & Net Zero Statement**

Yeovil College’s Sustainability Policy outlines the actions required to meet the required net zero agenda by 2050. We aim to reduce our current carbon footprint by 65% by 2035.

The Government Climate Action Road Map for FE Colleges (2020) outlines expected progression to meet the Net Zero agenda in the areas of:

* Leadership and Governance
* Teaching, Learning and Research
* Estates and Operations
* Partnerships and Engagement.

We are committed to creating a net zero and sustainable environment with key statements in our policy:

* We have an appointed lead: Head of Infrastructure.
* Embracing our college staff and students wishes to ensure sustainability forms part of our culture.
* The continued promotion of health and wellbeing for both our staff and learners.
* Working hard to reduce carbon travel, including the successful provision of specific college bus routes from our wide and rural community.
* All new building works delivered by DfE will be net zero in operation. They will be designed for a 2oC rise in average global temperatures and future-proofed for a 4oC rise, to adapt to the risks of climate change, including increased flooding and higher indoor temperatures.
* Active replanting to maintain our biodiverse a green campus, including wildlife habitats.
* Actively work with our college community to reduce waste and landfill.
* Actively reduce annual energy consumption.
* Ensure our curriculum is forward thinking and producing environmental experts of the future.
* Actively consider sustainability throughout our procurement processes.