

**CLIMATE CHANGE PANEL**

**JOINT CHAIRS: Professor Phil Vickerman,  
PVC Strategic Initiatives and Dr Jason Kirby,  
Director, Biological and Earth Sciences**

## **1. STRATEGIC CONTEXT**

The Climate Change Panel supports and monitors compliance with the University's Environmental Management and Sustainability Policy, in the spirit of a pioneering modern civic university delivering solutions to the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

In doing so, the Panel supports LJMU's strategic values to strive for the highest standards of excellence, drive transformation, be innovative and progressive, work in partnership to achieve lasting results, be a leader, and to share expertise for a common purpose. It seeks strategic assurance for the university, while demonstrating continual improvement and best practice.

## **2. GENERIC RESPONSIBILITIES**

- To advocate and drive the continual improvement of the LJMU climate change agenda
- To ensure that the activities and decisions of the Panel are aligned with the priorities contained within the LJMU Strategic Plan 2017-2022
- To oversee progress of relevant strategic Key Performance Indicators
- To ensure that equality and diversity matters are fully considered, addressed and embedded within the activities and decisions of the Panel
- To identify risks and opportunities associated with the proposals, decisions and other activities which fall within the remit of the Panel
- To ensure terms of reference are reviewed on an annual basis, along with the Panel's effectiveness
- To ensure any changes to the terms of reference are reported to ELT for approval
- To ensure the Panel complies with the standards and guidelines provided by the university's Secretariat for reporting and presentation

## **3. SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Climate Change Panel has responsibility for leading, managing, coordinating, and delivering the Ten LJMU Pledges. In order to do this, the Panel will:

- 3.1** Make recommendations to the Executive Leadership Team on the measures necessary to deliver LJMU's Climate Emergency Declaration.

- 3.2** To facilitate the effective and efficient implementation of LJMU's Ten Climate Declaration Pledges.
  - 3.3** Scrutinise internal and external data and information on climate change, and its impacts and response measures for the university.
  - 3.4** Recommend measures to ameliorate climate impacts, and thus provide environmental benefits to LJMU, the City-Region, nationally, and globally.
- 7.1** Ensure that a Climate Emergency Strategy is developed, created, monitored, and adhered to.
  - 7.2** Recommend means of assessing measurements of current performance in order to help establish the level of success of LJMU; inform ELT of current performance to allow ELT to celebrate success.
  - 7.3** Recommend to ELT responses on any significant policy consultations on climate change.
  - 7.4** Engage with stakeholders, such as local groups and public service providers, to consider any climate emergency action that the university can participate in.
  - 7.5** Proactively engage in partnership with JMSU to realise mutual objectives with regard to climate change.
  - 7.6** To champion positive and constructive actions to support the climate change agenda across LJMU's operations, and broader sphere of influence.
  - 7.7** To consider how LJMU can best achieve its objectives, priorities and actions so as to minimise or eliminate carbon emissions and the adverse impacts of climate change.
  - 7.8** To introduce, expedite and oversee specific actions and programmes of work that increase LJMU's utilisation of sustainable energy measures.

The Climate Change Panel also has responsibility for overseeing and reporting on the university's progress against the objectives contained within the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals that have been selected for priority by the institution.

## 8. CONSTITUTION

The constitution of the Panel is detailed below:

### 8.1 Reporting and Membership

<b>Reporting to:</b>	Executive Leadership Team
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	<b>Name and role</b>
<b>Joint Chairs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Professor Phil Vickerman, PVC Strategic Initiatives</li><li>- Dr Jason Kirby, Director, Biological and Environmental Sciences</li></ul>
<b>Secretary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Paula Quirk, Team Co-ordinator – SHE Department</li></ul>
<b>Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- John Gillin, Head of Safety, Health and Environment (ex-officio)</li><li>- Steve Fisher, Safety, Health and Environment Adviser</li><li>- Mark Askem, Director of Estate Development</li><li>- Dr Diane Spivey, Head of Transition</li><li>- Caitlin Hare, Student Development Coordinator (JMSU)</li><li>- Dr Colm Bowe, Senior Lecturer (BES), Biological and Environmental Sciences</li><li>- Zia Chaudhry, Director, Foundation for Citizenship</li><li>- Dr Tim Lane, Senior Lecturer (BES)</li><li>- Professor Zoe Knowles, Sport and Exercise Science</li><li>- Dr Celine Germond-Duret, Senior Lecturer (BES)</li><li>- Paul Dickson, Project Manager, Faculty of Engineering and Technology</li><li>- Dr Adam Shore, Director Liverpool Business School</li><li>- Kathy Houghton, Procurement Manager, Finance</li><li>- Dr Emma Roberts, Liverpool School of Art and Design</li><li>- Dr Ed Loffill, Programme Manager, Faculty of Engineering and Technology</li><li>- Andrew Ibi, Programme Leader, Liverpool School of Art and Design</li><li>- Rachel Power, Head of Legal and Governance Services</li></ul>

The Panel will be empowered to co-opt further members with specialist knowledge, to assist as necessary, and to invite guest speakers to make presentations on specific topics.

The Panel will invite interested parties to attend meetings or those parts of meetings of relevance to them.

Members have equal voting rights, but the Chair has the casting vote.

## 9 Quorum

To ensure that the Panel is quorate, meetings will only proceed if the Chair (or Deputy Chair) plus four Panel members are present.

### **10 Frequency**

The Panel will meet for a minimum of six times per year, although additional meetings will be convened, as may be deemed necessary, at the Chair's discretion.