

ACHS SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY (Update May 2025)

AREA	GOAL	ACTION	TASKS	ACHIEVEMENTS SO FAR
Environmental Impact and Emissions	Reduce environmental impact of travel, promote sustainable transport practices and enhance office environment with nature.	Improve Travel Emission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promote virtual meetings - Maximise use of business travel - Review carbon offsetting - Promote ridesharing where possible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engaged with Tasman Environmental Markets (TEM), using 'BlueHalo Climate Action Technology' for carbon offsetting. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decreased non-essential travel. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increasing plants in the office.
		Increase Office Plants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review current plant hire - Encourage staff to bring in plants 	
Consumables	Reduce waste and promote a sustainable circular economy by prioritising the use of recyclable materials throughout the operations of ACHS.	Use more recyclable materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Audit of materials - Training and awareness about recycling - Source recyclable materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced eco-friendly 'Frank Green' coffee cups for all staff. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education to staff on recycling, explaining terms and symbols so staff can effectively recycle at the office and at home. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduction in printing with digital platforms for document sharing & signing (SharePoint, DocuSign). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Donated un-used paper to two local schools. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Added environmental practices to procurement policy & contracts. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Investigation of water conservation and reuse strategies.
		Decrease printing further	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduce paper reduction policy - Develop guidelines for employees to follow - Enhance document sharing - Recycle un-used paper 	
		Use Renewable Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review sustainability of paper supplies - Source and prioritise renewable materials - Establish criteria for selecting suppliers - Communicate our preferences 	
		Source sustainable suppliers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess current suppliers - Review again sustainability standards - Share preferences with suppliers and encourage change 	
Energy Consumption	Optimise energy usage, efficiency and reduce environmental impact.	Review Air Conditioning in Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Determine optimal timer for aircon settings - Investigate timers to regulate air - Educate employee on energy conservation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promote and celebrate sustainable healthcare through communication and updated category in QI Awards <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase energy efficiency with upgrade to modern air conditioning system. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insulation for energy efficiency. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laptop docking stations. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Implemented energy-efficient LED lighting.
		Review Insulation of office building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess insulation - Engage insulation experts - Monitor and evaluate 	
		Upgrade Lights to LEDs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct lighting audit - Devise plan to replace all fluoro lights - Implement phased approach to upgrade 	
		Investigate Solar Panels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct feasibility study - Evaluate potential energy generation - Collaborate with renewable energy experts 	
		Decentralize Computers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pilot laptop docking stations - Provide training and support - Establish guidelines for power-savings 	