

How we're tackling the climate crisis

In our corporate plan we have committed to play our part in tackling the climate crisis – both within our organisation and in our grant giving.

The climate crisis is already impacting our society, our natural environment and our heritage.

We want all the projects we fund to reduce the effects of the climate crisis, assist places and people to adapt to our changing planet, and to support nature's recovery across the UK.

Organisational change

We are working together with our sector partners to take action. [Read our joint statement.](#)

As an organisation, The National Lottery Heritage Fund will reach net zero carbon emissions by 2030. We are beginning by decarbonising our offices, travel and waste.

So far we have:

- recruited a Climate Change Manager to steer our approach
- established the Green Impact Scheme for staff
- taken a “rail first” approach to travel
- increased our use of electric and hybrid cars for journeys where public transport isn't available
- expanded our Cycle to Work scheme
- provided in-house training to support sustainable decision making
- embedded energy efficiency into the decision-making process for office spaces
- ensured our website is powered by green energy, with regular reviews to minimise the energy usage of our web pages



Over the next 12 months we will be developing our environmental strategy which will outline our approach to tackling the climate crisis.

We publish our environmental impact each year as part of our [annual reports and accounts](#).

Grant giving and the climate crisis

We factor the environmental impact of **all** projects – not just of landscape and nature projects – into our decision making.?

To reach our environmental sustainability requirement, we expect all kinds of heritage project, large and small, to:

- limit any potential damage on the environment
- make a positive impact on the environment and particularly for nature

Read our [environmental sustainability guidance](#).

You might also be interested in...

[Environmental sustainability good practice guidance](#)

[The importance of funding nature](#)

Improving access to parks and green space.

Two awards for a programme putting nature at the heart of thriving urban places