

AT A GLANCE

ROYAL HOLLOWAY

GREEN TRAVEL PLAN

2025

Royal Holloway's Green Travel Plan has been developed to help reduce the University's carbon footprint and also traffic congestion on its Surrey campus and in the local community.

Whilst championing inclusivity, to do this it promotes a suite of travel incentives and measures that seek to reduce single occupancy vehicle use amongst students and staff in favour of more sustainable travel modes.

More widely, the plan also addresses international and domestic business travel (for work and education) as well as the journeys made by the University's international students to and from the UK. The full Green Travel Plan can be found on our [Environmental Sustainability webpages](#).



Travel plan targets

The following five-year targets, to be monitored annually, will help guide our efforts to reduce our travel-related carbon emissions.

Commuting

- Reduce student single occupancy car journeys by 3%
- Reduce staff single occupancy car journeys by 5%

Business travel

- Reduce single occupancy car journeys by 3%
- Increase train travel by 2% and shared car journeys by 1%

EV Charging

- Double the EV charging facilities on campus from 8 to 16 bays



Action plan

Further to the initiatives already in place, which include a cycle to work scheme, a travel policy, and on-site cycling facilities, the following sustainable transport measures (see overleaf) will be delivered over the next five years to encourage an uptake in sustainable transport amongst students and staff.

ACTION PLAN

Initiative Type	Actions	Timescale
Online Resources	1A. Improve Intranet/Internet information regarding sustainable transport for staff and students, update and promote the interactive cycle map, set up a webpage or social media group to aid students in selling and buying second hand cycles, and create and promote a Green Travel Webpage that is kept up to date with the latest information.	Short term (Year 1)
Active Travel	2A. Review cycle to work scheme benefit with a view to increasing purchase cap.	Short term (Year 1)
	2B. Identify and deliver a location for a high quality central 'long-stay' cycle store with e-bike charging and bike repair facilities.	Long Term (Year 5)
	2C. Undertake a minimum of once-termly community engagement sessions (Dr. Bike etc.)	Short term (Year 1)
	2D. Introduce wayfinding signage to cycle parking and end of trip facilities.	Medium term (Year 3)
	2E. Engage with the local planning / highway authority and micro-mobility operators to explore the introduction of a public hire e-bike scheme such as those operated by Lime and Forest in London.	Medium term (Year 3)
	2F. Continue to engage with SCC with regards to the development of the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP), a reduction of the speed limit on Egham Hill, and the improvement of local bus stops (including increased provision of shelter, seating and real time information).	Long term / ongoing
Public Transport	3A. Promote / remind site users of the available public transport discounts provided by RHUL and others at the start of each term.	Short term (Year 1)
International Travel	4A. Nominate a colleague in the Global Engagement Team to be the Environmental Lead and support them to, amongst other actions, join the Environmental Sustainability Working Group (ESWG).	Short term (Year 1)
	4B. All members of the Global Engagement Team to complete Carbon Literacy Training.	Short term (Year 1)
	4C. Strengthen the requirement for colleagues to travel by train to all mainland UK destinations and Eurostar-serviced European locations.	Short term (Year 1)
	4D. Consider offering incentives to international students for choosing more climate-conscious modes or transport (bus, train, ferry) or optimising their flight emissions (economy class, non-stop flights etc).	Medium term (Year 3)
Car Parking Management	5A. Setup a smart car sharing database such as those offered by LiftShare.	Short term (Year 1)
	5B. Double EV charging provision on campus from 8 to 16 bays to meet future demands.	Medium term (Year 3)
	5C. Consider the installation of VMS signage to make better use of underutilised car parking areas.	Medium term (Year 3)
	5D. Introduce an EV Salary Sacrifice scheme for staff.	Short term (Year 1)
	5E. Review and strengthen the requirements for students to obtain a parking permit.	Medium term (Year 3)
	5F. Adopt road names for main campus thoroughfares and use what three words on signage and maps.	Medium term (Year 3)
Other	6A. Regularly include green travel information and guidance in the ongoing Environmental Sustainability Communications Plan.	Long Term / Ongoing
	6B. Review the introduction of a fair and transparent sustainability levy for parking on campus.	Long Term (Year 5)

See the full [Green Travel Plan](#) for further information.