

Committee	Shetland UHI Board		
Date paper prepared	29/11/2022	Date of committee meeting	07/12/2022
Subject	Public Bodies Climate Change Duties Report		
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Action requested	For information		
Purpose of the paper	UHI Shetland is required to submit a report on carbon emissions and activity aimed at achieving Net Zero as part of our duties as a public body. This paper describes how UHI Shetland meets compliance requirements and where more work is needed.		
Brief summary of the paper	The full report is included along with a summary of the headlines and actions		
Consultation	The Board received a presentation on this report at their development day on 05 November. The report was also discussed at SMG and a Net Zero Staff Development session was held in October 2022.		
Resource implications	There are costs associated with reducing our carbon emissions as well as potential savings that could be realised through improvements to the estate and changes in behaviour on the part of staff and students.		
Risk implications	There are risks associated with the Climate Emergency, which UHI Shetland can help to mitigate by reducing our carbon emissions and adapting to climate change. Complying with our duties and participating in partnership working on climate change helps to reduce reputational risks.		
Link with strategy	Sustainability is a key theme within UHI Shetland's Strategic Plan and is also a priority for UHI.		

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion	None
Island Community Impact	N/A
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