

Sustainability Forum

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Chair: Miles Craven [MC]

Officers: Josh Darley [JD], Erin Gerard [EG], Etienne Lewis-Jarvis [ELJ]

Student Attendees: 10

JMSU Staff: Emma E. Ashman [EEA], Alastair Grills [AG]

MC welcomed everyone, inviting everyone to introduce themselves. MC then invited attendees in small groups to discuss actions they do at home and university in regard to Sustainability. He then asked them to consider what they would do £100 to develop ideas on Sustainability at LJMU/JMSU.

Discussion Notes

Sustainability at Home

- Charity Shop
- Using wooden Chopping Board instead of plastic ones
- Reusing Plastic Bags or using tote bags
- Heating: Closing Doors, Burping the House, timing management,
- Water: Turning taps off, fill the sink when washing
- Do you know if your bills are included? Or do you know about the energy prices? Mixed room, about half knew of either question. Check these details before deciding where to live next year.
- Reducing meat consumption
- Spanish Culture very different, there is a lack of care in the UK, found the transition hard.
- Using public transport
- Using Vinted to reduce buying new
- Car-pooling/car share
- Allotment or and growing things at home
- Upcycling and/or clothes repairing

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Sustainability at University

- Reusable water bottles but not great at coffee cups
- Bringing food from home
- Screens are always on – how much power does it use,
- Printing
- Recycling
- Laptop scheme
- Public transport to and from campus
- Thrift store at university
- Rewardable programmes at university – scheme idea; mentioned that this is happening as staff and some PGRs, Green Impact.
- Reusing sports kits and equipment
- Automatic lights
- Windows – natural light
- People respecting resources
- Volunteering – beach cleans etc.
- Green spaces on campus

£100 Budget – What Can We Do With the University

- Allotment: Seeds/Start Plants and tools for the community to use.
- More Water Fountains
- Cupboard Essentials to tackle Cost of Living
- Research Project on the Environment.

MC thanked everyone for coming, their ideas and closed the session.