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Subject:	Health Board's carbon footprint
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Requested:

We would appreciate if your response to these questions is completed using the Excel document attached.

1. Name of Trust
2. Does your Trust measure its total carbon footprint? If yes, what is the carbon footprint of your Trust? (Please provide in tCO2e and specify the date of measurement)
3. Carbon footprint of your Trust (Please provide in tCO2e and specify the date of measurement)
4. What steps has your Trust taken towards meeting the Greener NHS target of Net Zero by 2045?
5. What percentage of your Trust energy consumption comes from fossil fuels?
6. What steps is your Trust taking to reduce its fossil fuel consumption?
7. How many of your Trust's fleet uses petrol/diesel?
8. How many of your Trust's fleet uses hybrid?
9. How many of your Trust's fleet uses electric?
10. Does your Trust have a policy on reducing the use of single-use plastics (including for clinical and/or non-clinical items)?
11. Details of plastic policy
12. Reduction achieved to date
13. Has your Trust received funding to spend specifically on sustainability and decarbonisation?
14. If yes, please provide details on how much and over what time period.
15. How much has your Trust spent in 2021 (including specific funding received and any other expenditure) on activities related to sustainability and decarbonisation?

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) provides, the completed Excel spreadsheet as requested, at Attachment 1.

In addition to the information provided for questions 7 to 9 within the attached spreadsheet, the UHB confirms that it is currently working on a strategy to transition its fleet vehicles away from internal combustion engine vehicles to electric vehicles, wherever suitable.

The UHB's key actions for this year that have either been delivered or are being worked towards delivering include:

- A campaign to raise staff awareness of the benefits of electric vehicles and the improvements in costs, range and the performance of these in recent years, which has been commenced and is ongoing. As a result, we have seen significant increases in the number of staff securing electric vehicles through our lease car schemes, as demonstrated in the figures provided. The UHB is happy to confirm that of the 87 lease car scheme vehicles currently on order, 51% of these are for electric vehicles and 15% are for hybrids. The UHB is confident that these percentages will continue to grow as time goes on and the information campaigns strengthen.
- The UHB also plans to undertake annual reviews of its lease car policy, to gradually tighten the emissions cap applied to any requests for vehicles within this scheme.
- The UHB confirms that a review is currently underway across all of its acute hospital sites, to assess the infrastructure improvements required to enable the installation of electric vehicle charging points. Once complete, the UHB will look to deliver this and then commence the process of rolling out electric vehicle charging points.
- Once electric vehicle charging infrastructure is in place, the UHB will commence the process of transitioning existing fleet vehicles from internal combustion engine models to electric vehicles.