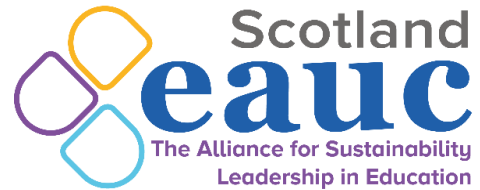


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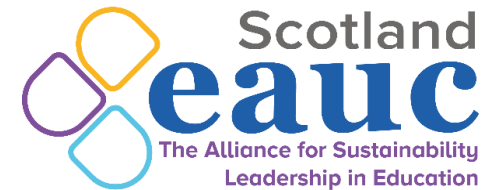
- 13:45 **Registration and Refreshments**
- 14:00 **Welcome and Introductions**
Michelle Brown, University of Edinburgh & EAUC Scotland Convenor
- 14:15 **Update from EAUC-Scotland Convenor**
Michelle Brown, University of Edinburgh & EAUC Scotland Convenor
- 14:20 **Update from EAUC-Scotland**
Rebecca Petford, EAUC-Scotland Programme Manager
- 14.30 **Introduction and update from Australian Campuses Towards Sustainability (ACTS)**
Corey Peterson, University of Tasmania & ACTS President
- 14.45 **Plastic Free St Andrews**
Annabel Personeni and Daphne Grant, Plastic Free St Andrews
- 15.05 **Public Bodies Reporting 2018 – Analysis and Next Steps**
Rebecca Petford, EAUC-Scotland Programme Manager
- 15.15 **Sustainability Committees Report**
Lauren La Rocca, EAUC-Scotland Sustainability Engagement Project Officer
- 15.25 **SDGs Case Study Project**
Chiara Dal Molin, EAUC-Scotland SDGs Case Study Intern
- 15.30 **Climate Change Adaptation Project Introduction**
Rebecca Petford, EAUC-Scotland Programme Manager
- 15.35 **Climate Emergency Declarations and Net Zero Targets Discussion**
Michelle Brown, University of Edinburgh & EAUC Scotland Convenor
- 15:45 **AOB**
Michelle Brown, University of Edinburgh & EAUC Scotland Convenor
- 16:00 **Thanks and Close**
Michelle Brown, University of Edinburgh & EAUC Scotland Convenor

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Project Summary			
Project Title	Catalysing Transformative Leadership for Sustainability	Funder	Scottish Funding Council
Project Manager	Rebecca Petford	Total Funding	£349,500
Timescales	April 2017 – March 2020	Risk Status	Green

Reporting Period	
From	01/03/2018
To	31/05/2019

Background

EAUC-Scotland have been funded by SFC to deliver a focused programme to support sustainability within all colleges and universities in Scotland, building upon the previous two Universities and Colleges Climate Commitment for Scotland (UCCCfS) Programmes. The [CTLFS Programme](#) provides tailored support to progress institutions towards a skilled and informed, whole-institutional approach to leadership around carbon and resource management, social responsibility and environmental sustainability.

Summary of Activity

Rebecca, Jill and Lauren were joined by Scott in March, and Sam left the team in April.

- Rebecca (Scotland Programme Manager) has been doing the EAUC-Scotland Annual Report, progressing the UK-wide Adaptation Project, supporting the Responsible University Group Scotland, working on the Learning for Sustainability Champions pilot programme at Dundee and Angus College, and engaging with key partners.
- Jill (Carbon and Estates Project Officer) has been analysing the data from Public Bodies Climate Change Reporting to produce the annual Analysis Report and a Research Report on Aligning Operational Reporting Boundaries, planning next steps to support Reporting, and supporting the Estates-based and Procurement Topic Support Networks.
- Lauren (Sustainability Engagement Project Officer) has been planning and attending institutional visits, developing the Sustainability Committees Report and support structures, working on the Learning for Sustainability Champions pilot programme, and supporting the Community Engagement and Education for Sustainable Development TSNs.
- Scott (Scotland Programme Administrator) has been planning and delivering EAUC-Scotland Communications, planning Smaller Institutions meetings, uploading support resources to the sustainability exchange, compiling the funding register, and doing a much-needed file clear-out.
- Claire (Events Officer – 10 hours a week supporting the Scotland Team) has been working on our Spring Training Programme and on the venue and initial planning for our Scotland Conference in November 2019.

EAUC-Scotland Programme Outcome Agreement Activity Report:

Outcome 1: There is leadership for sustainability at all levels of Scottish FHE Institutions			
Outcome Area	<i>Sustainability Committees Programme</i>	<i>Engaging and empowering sector staff</i>	<i>Engaging senior decision-makers</i>
Progress towards Outcome Area	Report on Sustainability Committees published March 2019 available on website. 78% of sector now have a Sustainability Committee – 14% increase from March 2018. Findings also indicate increased levels of awareness across institutions, increased Committee engagement with EAUC-Scotland (9 presentations given), and increased requests for resources. Survey for Committee Members to provide internal view on committee representation and effectiveness drafted to identify next steps for support.	Sustainability engagement training workshop for IT and sustainability professionals planned for June 2019 to help break departmental boundaries and inspire joint working. Leading on EAUC Adaptation project to engage new teams with climate change adaptation through risk approach – outputs to be published June/July 2019. Academic Department sustainability guides developed by student intern (initial focus on economics and computer science) to be completed and expanded summer 2019.	Continuing to promote drivers for sustainability activity in Scotland at all levels and engage with senior decision-makers when possible. Working with Universities Scotland, SFC and sector reps as part of Responsible University Group Scotland, identifying a work plan. Percentage of annual survey respondents who believe their institution incorporates sustainability into its policies and strategies has increased from 83% pre-Programme to 87% over the last 2 years.

Outcome 2: The skills and knowledge required to deliver and monitor a low-carbon, sustainable, resilient FHE sector, including improving the accuracy of data in Public Bodies Climate Change Duties (PBCCD) Carbon Reporting, are available throughout the FHE sector			
Outcome Area	<i>Analysing sector needs and progress</i>	<i>Strengthening knowledge and skills</i>	<i>Engaging with and responding to sector</i>
Progress towards Outcome Area	PBCCD Sector Progress Report published in May, alongside a research report into aligning operational reporting boundaries across the sector. Both reports have been shared with the Scottish Funding Council and Sustainable Scotland Network (who facilitate the reporting process for the Scottish Government). Quality of reporting is generally improving. 59% of sector completed Wider Influence section (education and engagement activity) – target is 100%. Individual feedback on performance and potential improvements being prepared and training sessions to be held over the summer.	Individual feedback will be provided on reporting submissions and how institutions can improve next year. Training planned to address common errors and omissions. Spring chargeable training programme had limited success, with Waste Management (4) and Tertiary Education Sustainability (1 - a pilot), and Promoting Sustainability through Powerful Communications (9) going ahead. Free online Evidence Review on Single Use Items (17) now available to view as videos. Budgets currently reported to be an issue. Institutional Visit Programme underway, with final visits being conducted over the summer.	Quarterly Forum Meetings held to share information and respond to sector requests. Annual Survey of Scottish contacts used with other ongoing monitoring processes to create 2018-19 Annual Report. Programme target is 85% positive responses on direct question about whether EAUC-Scotland are Supporting the Sector from event surveys. 98% of attendees over programme so far Agree or Strongly Agree. Information gathering for developing next EAUC-S Programme has started through EAUC-S 2018 Conference, OBG Meetings, Forum, & Annual Survey.

Outcome 3: Institutions and partners are supported to build cross-organisational and cross-sector contacts, enabling sharing of best practice and development of new solutions to respond proactively to national and international challenges

Outcome Area	<i>Supporting knowledge sharing</i>	<i>Representing sector needs and views</i>	<i>Championing Scottish successes</i>
Progress towards Outcome Area	<p>Knowledge sharing events held: Sharing Series Webinars in March (3) and April (16); Forum Meeting and AGM (26); Smaller Institutions Sustainability Meeting (10); Glasgow Regional Meeting (7); Climate Ready Scotland Consultation Webinar (5 plus video views); Waste Management (17), Travel and Transport (13), ESD (10) and Energy & Water (29) TSNs, and online Sustainable Construction TSN (5). Sharing Series Guides and TSN Minutes published. Several events planned for next few months.</p> <p>Produced 24 Guidance Documents, 23 Support Tools and Reports (including 2 recorded webinars), and 11 Case Studies over 2018-19 year, now available on the Sustainability Exchange.</p> <p>Event feedback from programme shows 95% of attendees believe EAUC-S are helping them to develop skills and knowledge (target 85%).</p>	<p>EAUC-S currently sit on Steering or Advisory Groups for Adaptation Scotland, Learning for Sustainability Scotland, National Union of Students' Education for Sustainable Development and the Scotrail Stakeholder Panel. Represented on Sustainable Scotland Network (SSN) Steering Group by OBG member, and sitting on SSN Action Groups on Reporting, Governance and Finance. Attended Colleges Scotland Stakeholder Dinner. Submitted Sector Response to Scotland's Second Climate Change Adaptation Programme Consultation following informative webinar with Scottish Government Speaker. Highlighted Environment Act Consultation to members, and attended related workshop. Signed Scotland's SDG Network's group responses to Good Food Nation Consultation and Consultation on Environmental Principles and Governance in Scotland.</p>	<p>EAUC-Scotland have added 14 News Items on the EAUC website over the last year, sharing updates on EAUC-Scotland projects, Scottish Policy, interesting projects by Member Institutions, and from Key Partners. 2 Blog Posts have been written by Scottish sector members or staff on the EAUC website, and 11 Case Studies have been added to the Sustainability Exchange by the EAUC-S Team. Green Gown Award application deadline and EAUC Influence Conference workshop opportunity highlighted to Scottish contacts. Scotland Conference 2019 being planned for 26th November at Lighthouse in Glasgow which will showcase Scottish projects and ideas, hosted alongside Green Gown Awards. Meeting held between Scotland staff and OBG and Ireland Convenor to help share knowledge between different nations.</p>

Outcome 4: Sustainability is embedded into teaching, research and engagement practices in Scottish FHE institutions

Outcome Area	<i>Supporting education, research and engagement for sustainability</i>	<i>Supporting student sustainability skills and knowledge</i>
Progress towards Outcome Area	<p>Worked with Learning for Sustainability Scotland on Scottish Government funded pilot training programme for college lecturers at Dundee & Angus College, involving two half-day face-to-face sessions and 10 weeks of online engagement to a group of 23 Champions representing teaching departments in the college. Review of success and decisions on next steps ongoing.</p> <p>Academic Department sustainability guides drafted by student intern, with initial focus on economics and computer science, to be completed and supplemented over summer for September deadline.</p> <p>ESD TSN on pedagogical approaches in May 2019 (10) positively received, with resources available on the Sustainability Exchange.</p>	<p>Part time student intern hosted by EAUC-S team November – March, developing guides on embedding sustainability within curriculum areas. Intern provided very positive feedback on her experience.</p> <p>Full time student intern hosted by EAUC-S team for 10 weeks from June, developing an SDG case study for every institution in Scotland.</p> <p>Chargeable Accelerator Programme for new sustainability professionals and interns in FHE has not attracted participants, and individual modules have not had enough bookings to go ahead (except one delivered one-to-one as a pilot). Budgets for recruiting and training staff and interns reported to be a challenge in the sector.</p> <p>Careers Project Resources updated and recirculated in March.</p> <p>Interviewed for student masters dissertation on sustainability in FHE.</p>