

Zero Carbon

Cultural organisations in receipt of core funding through Cultural Partnership grants are required to adopt a Carbon Reduction Plan that meets these criteria. The plan should be approved by the Council, along with annual progress reports.

Commitment

Adopt the city's target of zero-carbon by 2038 (this can be demonstrated by signing up to the Manchester Commitment to Act)

Commit to join the city's journey to the 2038 target by setting objectives and targets for your organisation for direct emissions, including an action plan

Assign a senior lead with responsibility for ensuring that the commitment is met

Assign roles and responsibilities for delivering commitments, and actions

Understanding

Measure and monitor key environmental impacts
If already doing this, commit to develop further understanding of impacts

Skills

Provide accredited carbon literacy training, or equivalent, for all staff across the organisation and for key external collaborators, eg. makers, artists, performers, volunteers

Provide your team with access to environmental skills and training opportunities where relevant

Action

Take action to reduce impacts across the key areas of direct control and influence, ie. any of the following areas relevant to the organisation:

- energy
- travel and transport
- food and drink
- products and services
- nature
- digital

Take action to embed best-practice principles in one key area of cultural practice, eg. design, production, exhibitions, touring

Submit an annual progress report to the Council

For inspiration see the [Zero-Carbon Culture Guide](#)

Engagement

Do something every year to influence and inspire others, with a specific focus on climate justice and/or local communities