

Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Together

# **BSW TOGETHER GREEN PLAN 2022 - 25**

## **CLIMATE ADAPTATION**



Heatwaves, storms, and floods are already affecting the way that care is delivered across BSW. We will build resilience into health care delivery across BSW by planning effective system-wide climate mitigation and adaptation strategies that will ensure the high-level of health care provision we deliver is available now and for future generations to come.

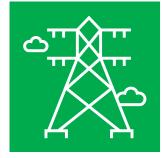
# FOOD AND NUTRITION



We are committed to reducing our carbon emissions from the food made, processed, and served by our partners across BSW. By ensuring the provision of healthier, locally sourced food and reducing overall food waste we will achieve wider social and health co-benefits for the population.



# **ESTATES AND FACILITIES**



Estates and facilities accounts for 12% of our BSW ICS Carbon Footprint. To reduce the environmental impact of our health and care estate we will focus on achieving operational reductions in emissions from building energy, water, waste and our estates and facilities fleet.

# **KEY AREAS OF FOCUS**





# **TRAVEL AND TRANSPORT**



We will encourage sustainable low-carbon and active travel and deliver digital care alternatives where clinically safe and appropriate to do so. A big focus of our Green Plan concerns the switch to greener vehicle alternatives as well as improving air guality.

# **DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION**



Our digital strategy is a key enabler to allowing us to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2040 for the emissions we directly control. Initiatives that support a reduction in our carbon footprint include agile working and virtual patient consultations. We will continue to harness existing digital technology to streamline service delivery while reducing carbon emissions.



\* NHS Carbon footprint plus encompasses the emissions that we can influence. Refer to page page 18 in the BSW Green Plan [2022-25] for more detail.





## SUPPLY CHAIN AND PROCUREMENT



Our supply chain accounts for 64% of our NHS Carbon Footprint Plus\* and as such represents the biggest opportunity for us to reduce our emissions. We are committed to working with our wider supply chain to optimise our resource use and reduce the associated cost and environmental impacts.



Medicines management has a significant impact on our carbon footprint. Although we have reduced our metered dose inhaler and anaesthetic gas usage, more can still be done. We aim to move from the lowest guartile to lowest decile for usage of metered dose inhalers and will continue to reduce the use of medical gases.

## WORKFORCE AND SYSTEM LEADERSHIP



The success of our Green Plan relies on everyone playing a part. All colleagues need to be conscious of how their choices and behaviour at work (and at home) impact the environment. We will have a board level lead responsible for our net zero targets and ensure staff are empowered to make sustainable choices.