



Sustainable Conservation enabling access creating expertise sharing knowledge

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# Context

# The National Archives Annual Report and Accounts 2021/22

Targets against

Greening Government Commitments

2021 to 2025

Indicator	GGC target 2021-25	Our target 2021-22	Our target baseline year	Change against the new baseline 2017-18 for 2021-22
Greenhouse gas emissions (kgCO <sub>2</sub> e)	-58%	-65%	2017-18	-40%
	Less than 5% waste to landfill	Zero waste to landfill	2017-18	0%
Operational waste	Reduce overall waste generated by 15%	-30%*	2017-18	-37%
	Increase recycling rate to at least 70% overall waste	Increase recycling rate	2017-18	-15%
Paper	-50%	- 50%	2017-18	-78%
Water	Reduce water consumption by at least 8%	-25%	2017-18	-35%
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Operational waste	Reduce overall waste generated by 15%	-30%*	2017-18	-37%	+221%
	Increase recycling rate to at least 70% overall waste	Increase recycling rate	2017-18	-15%	+329%
Paper	-50%	- 50%	2017-18	-78%	+3,775%
Water	Reduce water consumption by at least 8%	-25%	2017-18	-35%	-21%
Domestic flights taken	-30%	-30%	2017-18	-97%	**%

\* We have set its own target for waste reduction beyond the previous 25% GGC target against the 2009-10 baseline, to aspire towards 30% reduction in waste generated.

\*\* Calculation is not possible as the increase is from 0.

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#### Or rather: it's what we at The National Archives do to store our collection



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#### So why do I feel responsible ?



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# We have been asking the wrong question!

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### What is 'good enough'?

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#### How flexible can we be, and how are we managing flexibility?

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# We need to change our conservation ethos!

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#### Enabling Access

#### Creating Knowledge

### Sharing Expertise

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# Thank you

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