

# **Environmental Sustainability**Management



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# So why are we doing it?

**Waste Project** 

SUSTAINABILITY AT MATER

**Board directive** 

Strategic plan

Legislations

Social responsibility

Staff and community expectations



Reduce Consumption – save dollars!



## Healthcare Impacts

- High emissions, energy and waste
- Large and diverse supply chain
- Yet we're meant to 'Do no Harm'



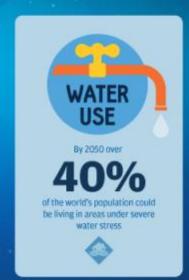


### DAMAGING THE PLANET DAMAGES HUMAN HEALTH











# **Balancing Act**





Exec / Board

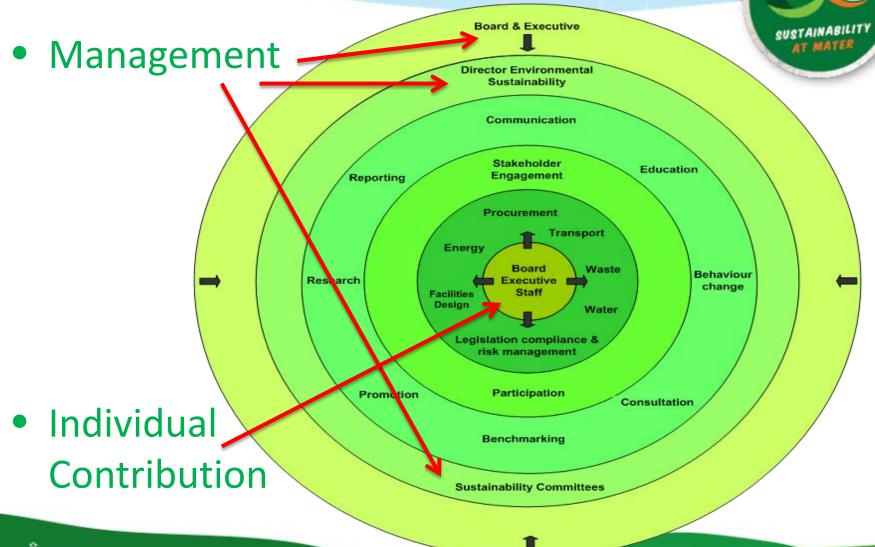
Awareness Engagement

Staff / Stakeholders

Source:- http://www.macrobusiness.com.au/2012/11/dismantling-our-asian-neutrality/



## ES Vision 2012-2015





# **Initiatives Summary**

160

**TOTAL** 



160

			SUSTAINABILITY AT MATER
Status	Initiatives	Theme	Initiatives
Commenced	24	Energy	40
Completed	114	Facilities Design	4
Not Viable	16	Procurement	8
On Hold	6	Staff Engagement	41
		Transport	11

Waste 49 Water

**TOTAL** 

# Engagement - Infrastructure

SUSTAINABILITY AT MATER

- Easy wins (can see and touch)
- Duplex Printing 10,235,000
- Recycled Plastic Garden Chair
- Water Tanks 24 315,000 Litres
- Bike Parking 3 cages 90 spaces plus lockers
- Cartridge / Pallet recycling
- Lighting retrofitting
- Waste is the key!





## Research Collaborations



- 1. Pro Environmental Behaviours in the workplace exec/board
- 2. "Turn it Off" campaign
- 3. "Turn it Off" 6 month follow up
- 4. All of staff Survey Questions
- 5. Environmental Sustainability Pledge
- Pro Environmental Behaviours in the workplace follow up with exec & board interviews
- 7. Pledge Follow up / Behaviours in the Workplace







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# Communication / Reporting

- Communication plan
- Web pages Internal / External
- Heads of Dept. / all of staff updates
- Multiple publications
- Twice yearly Exec / Board reports









## Education

### Pro Environmental Behaviours in the workplace



- Recognized Education programs
  - Managers Program
  - Diploma Nursing
  - On line package
- Orientation
- Road shows (over 250)
- Behavioural standards workbook
- Behaviours in personal action plan (Mater wide objectives)





## Earth Hour March 2011







Measured Pre and Post Campaign by online staff survey as well as though visual late night audits



# Keep Cup Campaign – July 2011

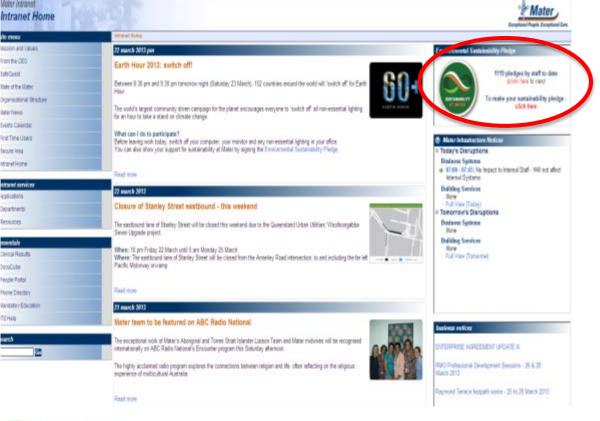
- Awareness
- Ongoing coffee discounts
- Cost Neutral
- 4000 sold
- Over 65,000 refills
- Another 500!

 Prompts discussion and questions





# Pledge –June 2012 Intranet/Paper option







#### **Environmental Sustainability Pledge**

Below are a number of behaviours that you can choose to pledge to, depending upon your work circumstances. If you choose to participate, a voucher for a "Hot Drink" will be sent to your work address. These responses will be added to the online responses displayed on the front page of the intranet to promote and grow the uptake of staff engagement behaviours.

#### 1) To demonstrate my commitment to sustainability at Mater Health Services, I pledge to:

BEHAVIOUR	YES	N/A
Energy		
Turn off my computer when I leave work at the end of the day		
Turn off my monitor when I leave work at the end of the day		
Turn off lights when I leave work at the end of the day		
Turn off air-conditioning (if applicable) when I leave work at the end of the day		
Turn off printers when I leave work at the end of the day		
Turn dishwashers off when dishes are not being processed		
Take the stairs instead of the lift		
Water		
Use a refillable water bottle instead of purchasing bottles of water		
Only use the dishwasher when it is fully loaded		
Turn off taps while soaping up hands where sensor activation is available		
Transport		
Reduce the number of car trips by using public transport, walking, car-pooling, and/or riding a bike		
Use tele- or video-conferencing to reduce work-related car and plane trips		
Waste		
Reduce paper consumption by printing on both sides		
Reduce printing by only printing when necessary		
Bring my own "Sustainability Keep Cup" when purchasing coffee and/or other hot drinks		
Segregate general waste from clinical		
Segregate recycling waste from general waste (when available in my area)		

Please turn over sheet to complete





# How do you measure Engagement / Awareness?



Staff Category	Number of Pledges	
Nursing	1082	
Administrative/Clerical	724	
Allied	328	
Health Practitioners	97	
Medical	90	
Volunteers	55	
Hotel Services	47	
Ancillary	32	
Trades	27	
Wards Persons	18	
<b>Grand Total</b>	2500	

Theme	Behaviours
Energy	9489
Water	5435
Transport	2341
Waste	9754
Total	27019



# Encouraging Environmentally friendly behaviour – May 2013



One on one interviews with Executive and Board members

- Emphasise the demonstrated positive outcomes of initiatives
- Staff engagement, Waste and Energy
- Embedding ES into practices, processes and decision making
- 3<sup>rd</sup> follow up planned Sept 2016!



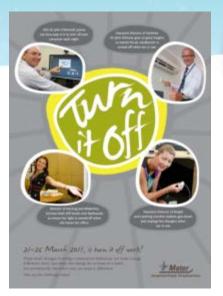
**Awareness Campaigns** 





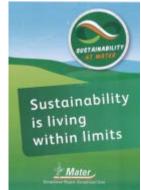




















World Environment Day 5 June















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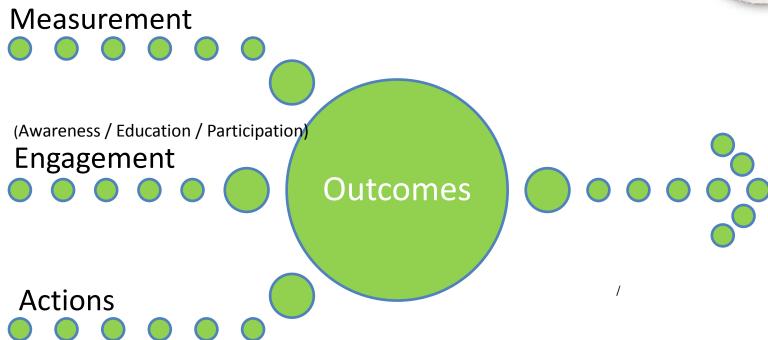
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Environmental Sustainability Pledge

## So What?





# Staff Survey -Is the Organisation becoming more Sustainable?



2015	
3111	
(64%)	

2011 3686 (69%)

Mater Health Services Executive Team is committed to environmental sustainability.

Mater Health Services needs to do more to improve the organisation's environmental sustainability.

People in my work unit carry out environmentally friendly behaviours in the workplace.

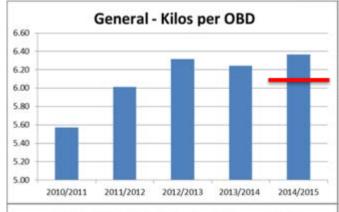
In my daily work, I carry out environmentally friendly behaviours.

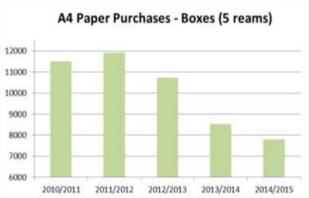
I am aware that there are programs at Mater Health Services that promote environmental sustainability.

56%	47%	8.8%
	2011	Detter
50%	52%	-1.8%
	2011	Equal
48%	40%	7.2%
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62%	58%	4.5%
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69%	56%	12.8%
	2011	Better



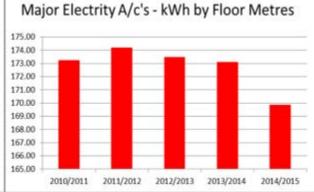
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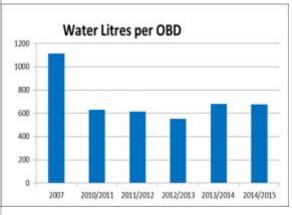


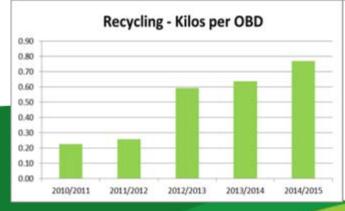


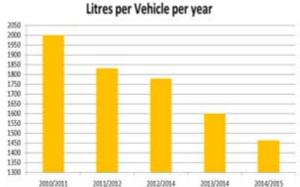












# Indicator Highlights



- Waste Reduction since 12/13 200 tonnes
- Clinical waste down 7%
- Recycling waste up 6%





- Paper purchases down 31% / Duplex over 10 Million
- Electricity Cost down 14% / Consumption down 3%
- Fleet, Fuel down 46 cars / litres per vehicle down 22%
- Water 40% reduction from 2005/2006



## Strategic



- Environmental Management Plan combining:
  - Energy Management Plan
  - Waste Plan Ownership by all
  - Communication Plan

- Sustainability software solution (metrics on intranet)
- Waste Segregation Education Nursing / Midwifery (largest cohort)
- University Research Links





# Accelerating the Strategy



- Next Step be 'Exceptional. Every Time'
- Mater People Accountable for:- Sustainability
- Being socially, economically and environmentally responsible
- Ground work in place keep linking it into BAU activities



# Global Green and Healthy Hospital Network



- HUGE network available online and FREE
- Don't reinvent the wheel!



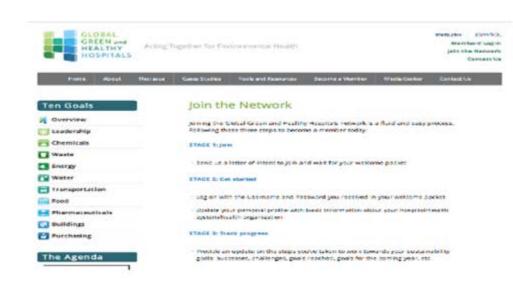
### Joining GGHH

Only Health Care members

- Hospitals
- Health Systems
- Health Care Organizations

Member request on website:

www.greenhospitals.net



# Barriers / Challenges



- Mater is busy and BIG competing priorities
- Knowing the business and who's who a huge bonus
- Start with easy wins
- Step around those not engaged (path of least resistance)
- Trying to do much!



Networking with everyone – GGHH, Industry, Universities



## Take aways

Top Management Support



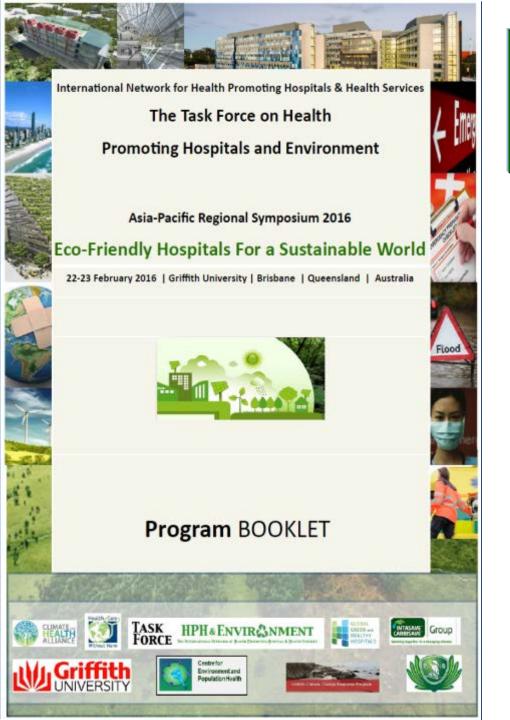


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- Leader to champion the cause (positive agitator)
- Multiple contributions (individuals) do make a difference
- Embed into BAU more \$ for Patient care
- Link in with GGHH network FREE







AN INTERNATIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND PRACTICE-SHARING REGIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON

### "ECO-FRIENDLY HOSPITALS FOR A SUSTAINABLE WORLD" MONDAY, 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2016

Griffith University, Nathan Campus

Hosted by The Task Force on Health Promoting Hospitals and Environment of International Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services Network and co-hosted by Griffith University

Venue: Griffith University Nathan Campus, Building N18 (Central Theatre), Theatre II

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