



University
of Dundee

Our Green Credentials.

The onsite Conference and Hospitality Services team at The University of Dundee is aware of the impact of environmental issues and does everything it can to reduce the impact as follows:

- Coffee cups are fully compostable and the lids are also compostable
- The paper plates and napkins are compostable
- The plastic containers which the food is delivered on (and plastic cutlery) are made from recycled plastic and are washed and reused and are also recyclable
- The 'vegware' drinking cups are fully compostable
- Food waste goes into 'Ecolander' bags which are compostable and put in food waste bins
- Any general waste goes in clear bags and the University will not uplift them if there is and contamination in them, so the team are careful to make sure this does not happen
- We use paper straws rather than plastic
- We have introduced more recycling bins in the Dalhousie Building
- We serve water in refillable glass bottles free of charge with catering orders
- Conference delegates are given water urns rather than plastic bottles
- We offer glass bottles of sparkling as an option rather than plastic
- Soft drinks on the menu are in glass bottles
- Palm oil has been phased out of menus
- We use an electric van for all deliveries across the Dundee campus, Kirkcaldy campus and Ninewells Hospital.
- All coffee across the campus served by the hospitality team is from Coffee Conscience. This Scottish based company offers Fairtrade beans (roasted in Dundee) and a percentage of revenue goes to community projects in the UK and abroad.

An environmental review was completed in the last 18 months and the outcome was that using compostable and recyclable items had less impact than using crockery. We have cut down almost by half) on the use of electricity, dish wash chemicals and fuel. The team can provide provenance for our disposables.