

AWARD: Waste and resources

This award will showcase an organisation that has initiatives in place to reduce overall material use in the products it buys and the services it delivers.

This category is as much about sustainable product sourcing and supplier engagement as it is about waste reduction and sustainable waste management.

The impact should result in clear evidence of application of the waste hierarchy in the organisation, as required under the Waste Regulations (England and Wales) 2011. First minimising waste, which could well be in working with a product supplier to minimise unnecessary packaging or increase reuse and repair, or to embed an approach that reduces consumables such as paperless or laser jet printing.

As the judges mark your entry they will be looking for:

- A clear description of why your organisation/project is exemplary
- Any evidence of environmental, social and/or local economic benefits
- Lasting and replicable change
- Details of any financial savings
- Benefits to staff, patient or population health
- Challenges the organisation has had to overcome.