# **Sustainability Statement**

## **Approved November 2024**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Together, (BSW) integrated care system has come together to develop and agree an ambitious, cocreated system-wide vision and set of commitments to begin the journey towards delivering net zero health and care services in BSW. This is set out in the BSW Green Plan. This statement sets out Wiltshire Health and Care's commitment to deliver it's part of the plan.

#### **OUR BUSINESS AND VALUES**

Wiltshire Health and Care LLP (WHC) is the provider of NHS community services for patients living or residing in Wiltshire.

We care for patients in four community inpatient wards and two minor injury units across the county and support intermediate care and therapy. We provide community nursing, physiotherapy, and occupational health services to patients who benefit from being cared for in their homes. This is supported by specialised community services teams, who treat patients both at home and in clinic to provide a range of specialist services. We work as part of the local health and social care economy with our acute care partners, local primary care, social care colleagues, Carers Support Wiltshire, and many other third sector agencies. This is supported by a broad network of family members, friends, carers, and volunteers.

We have an overarching principle of removing the organisational barriers to healthcare to ensure that patients receive a high quality and seamless experience.

#### PRIORITIES AND FOCUS

The BSW sustainability targets are clustered by the following themes:

- Sustainable Care Models
- Workforce and System Leadership
- Estates and Facilities
- Travel and Transport
- Supply Chain and Procurement
- Food and Nutrition
- Medicines
- Digital transformation

Within this context WHC is committed to focusing on the areas where we can make the biggest difference, and these have been identified as following:

- Engaging with our landlords and providers of estates and facilities services to encourage and support minimising waste, energy efficiency, improved recycling.
- Increasing awareness and engagement with the green agenda across our workforce.
- Working with our procurement team and suppliers to reduce carbon emissions from our supply chain.
- Reducing travel and carbon emission from travel when it is necessary.

In order to deliver on these areas, specific sustainability actions and projects will be included in the WHC Annual Operational Plan and will be updated and reviewed annually as part of the review cycle.

### **OUR EFFECTIVENESS IN TACKLING CLIMATE CHANGE**

This statement is presented to the Operating Board who approve and support this statement in a public meeting demonstrating commitment, ensuring visibility, and encouraging reporting standards.

This statement is approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by Shirley-Ann Carvill, Managing Director.

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