

Environment and Sustainability Plan

Edinburgh Trams is committed to operating our network in an environmentally sustainable manner. We operate an ISO 14001 certified Environmental Management System and implement annual environment and sustainability objectives across the business to ensure continuous improvement.

Strategic Environmental Objectives

- Reduce our impact on the environment through greater efficiency in energy usage.
- Maximise recycling opportunity, reducing the amount of waste disposed of in landfill where possible.
- Promote environmental awareness for our colleagues and contractors.
- Implement processes to prevent environmental non-conformities.
- Ensure that we are suitably prepared to deal with potential environmental emergencies.
- Identify other environmental commitments relevant to our operations.
- Take action within our organisation to reduce the city's Carbon Emissions.

Annual Environment and Sustainability Objectives - 2026

- Replace ETL internal combustion engine fleet vehicles on obsolescence with EV alternatives (Rolling objective 2023 – 2030 – Fleet currently 80% electric).
- Replace our MEWP with a hybrid version.
- Implement a revised rail maintenance strategy with Siemens that reduces the need to renew rails, by carrying our repairs whenever practicable.
- Conduct a review of RTC trends to identify areas of potential improvement.
- Migrate specific IT systems to the Cloud to achieve a reduction in the number of servers, energy consumption and e-waste.
- Edinburgh Trams staff to volunteer for the Water of Leith Conservation Trust.
- Hold biannual foodbank drives at the Myreton Drive Depot.
- Develop and launch an Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity module for all staff

2025 Scope 1 & 2 GHG emissions:

Emission Source	GHG emissions CO2e (tonnes)
Traction Power	1493.2
Non-Traction Power	94.9
Heating Gas	96.8
Fleet Diesel Usage	7.6
Total	1692.5

In operating the Edinburgh Trams Network, we provide an environmentally friendly mode of mass transport for the city. Attracting users away from other more Carbon intensive forms of travel and reducing emissions. With 2025 seeing our network carrying in excess of 12.5 million passengers.

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