## **Consultation: Public Sector Reporting on Climate Change Duties**

## Submit your views for inclusion in EAUC-Scotland's sector response

EAUC-Scotland are working with SAUDE (Scottish Association of University Directors of Estates) and any other sector representative groups who wish to join us to submit a sector response to the Public Sector Reporting on Climate Change Duties Consultation.

To allow us to submit a truly representative response we would like to be able to include feedback from as many Scottish Universities and Colleges as possible, so please take the time to tell us your views.

The Consultation seeks the answer to fourteen questions. All questions allow for comments rather than a purely yes/no response. Please include the question numbers you are answering within your submission.

- 1. Do you agree that the powers in the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 should be used to improve climate change reporting by public bodies?
- 2. Do you agree that standardised reporting will improve the quality and consistency of climate change information reported by public sector major players?
- 3. Do you agree with the policy subjects and questions included in the proposed climate change reporting form (see Schedule 2 to the draft order)?
- 4. What would you consider to be an appropriate deadline date for the annual submission of climate change public bodies duties reports?
- 5. Based on your current level of climate change/sustainability reporting, are there any additional resource implications associated with the proposed reporting requirement?
- 6. For public sector respondents only: Do you agree with the list of "major players" in Schedule 1 to the draft order? Would you voluntarily provide additional climate change information if recommended by the Scottish Government?
- 7. What guidance should be provided for climate change public bodies duties reporting?
- 8. How do you think climate change public bodies duties reports should be monitored?
- 9. What should the consequences be if a major player does not comply with the climate change public bodies duties?
- 10. Do you believe climate change public bodies duties reports should be validated prior to submission? (Yes, independent / Yes, internal / Yes, peer to peer / Not needed)
- 11. Would you be content for your climate change public bodies duties report to be published annually on the Sustainable Scotland Network (SSN) website?
- 12. How much time would your organisation expect to spend preparing a report in accordance with the draft order? (include any external consultancy time)
- 13. With reference to the draft BRIA, do you think that the policy proposal presented may impact on business, the third sector (voluntary) or any other relevant areas?
- 14. Do you think that the policy proposal presented may impact on people differently depending on characteristics such as age, disability, gender, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation, gender identity or marriage or civil partnership status? Could the proposals enhance equality or good relations? If so, please comment.

To allow us time to collate responses please ensure they are sent to Scotland@eauc.org.uk by Tuesday 19th May.

If you wish to submit an individual response you can find the Consultation Document and Response Survey on the Scottish Government Website until the 29 May <a href="here">here</a>.