**SRS Programmes Q2 Highlights 2020/21**

Catalysing action and collaboration. Embedding sustainability and social responsibility across the University

### Sustainability Leadership and Innovation

Supporting delivery of zero carbon and zero waste targets and integration of sustainability across the university

- **290 Staff Champions**
- **34 staff completed Carbon Literacy training (65 year to date YTD)**
- **42 staff completed Be Sustainable Induction**
- **348 pledges made**

"a great course – really interesting, well-structured and well-paced. Thanks to you all!" – Carbon Literacy participant

### Student Leadership for Sustainability

Working with students to develop knowledge, skills and actions to address the climate crisis and the Sustainable Development Goals

- **249 Student Champions**
- **16 students completed Be Sustainable Online induction**
- **31 students completed Carbon Literacy training (47 YTD)**
- **30 students in Pathways with Department working to complete their SRS Edinburgh Award**

"...I always take something away from it." - Student Pathways Participant

### Sustainable Business and SRS in Supply Chains

Leveraging influence and relationships for wider impact near and far

- **Finalised “Peas Please” Pledge**
- **Completing Make ICT Fair project**
- **Coordinating Fairtrade University Award review**

"...through working with others including businesses that we purchase from and invest in we can have a much wider impact on sustainability near and far" - UoE staff member

### Biodiversity

Protecting and enhancing conditions for biodiversity on our campuses

- **Hedgehog Friendly Campus: Silver award submitted**
- **Curated and launched the Green Campus Tours**
- **Joined RISE UP to protect our oceans**

"I’m really excited to engage with sustainability in this way and hopefully have a positive impact and help the hedgehogs." - New Hedgehog Champion

### Community Engagement

Delivering impactful projects and engagement with local communities to contribute to improving lives

- **£9,779 invested in community projects through community grants in quarter (£39,650 YTD)**
- **243 in the Edinburgh Community Engagement Forum sharing good practice and lessons learned**
- **Employee volunteering support launched**

One parent of a child who has acute asthma agreed to let her child resume attending after school play sessions because she felt it was now “safe for him to play outdoors” as a result of a project - community grants recipients

### SRS Communications Channels

12,553 Social Media followers

- **Content in c10 internal c15 external channels**
- **2,464 (+1% since last quarter)**
- **5,875 (+3%)**
- **4,214 (+1%)**
- **36,716 (-30%)** website visits
- **6,993 newsletter subscribers**

### Edinburgh Local Communications Channels

3,355 Social Media followers

- **1,167 (+11% since last quarter)**
- **1,517 (+8%)**
- **671 (+8%)**
- **13,145 website visits**
- **1,448 newsletter subscribers**