



BAUS 10-point plan on sustainability

BAUS is committed to supporting its members in embedding sustainable practices at every level of urological care. Our work aligns with the wider NHS ambition to achieve net zero, recognising that change will be driven both by individual action and collective innovation.

As part of this, we have developed a 10-point plan and these actions will be implemented for three years to achieve sustainable change to include:

1. Establishing a BAUS working group that will provide a framework for improving the environmental sustainability of urological care.
2. Performing a BAUS carbon footprint and develop a carbon reduction plan for the association
3. Engaging with partners to identify common goals and collaboration opportunities – GIRFT, Greener NHS, RCS England, TUF, BAUN and industry.
4. Supporting members to engage in the development, improvement and uptake of sustainable models of outpatient urological care (e.g. advice and guidance, one stop pathways, patient initiated follow-up, primary and secondary prevention).
5. Supporting members to identify and enhance greener theatre pathways (eg maximising day case working, efficient resource use, green theatre checklist, greener surgical trays).
6. Supporting members to develop and improve greener pathways in emergency care.
7. Collaborating with individual BAUS sections to identify greener models of care and ensure every BAUS section meeting has sustainability on its agenda.
8. Delivering greener section meetings, regional meetings, courses and annual general meeting – promoting greener travel and food choices, and generating less avoidable waste at meetings.
9. Engaging membership to enable sustainability to become a core value for every member.
10. Keeping patient care and the patient voice at the heart of sustainable clinical initiatives.