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SUSTAINABILITY

Section	Institution Governance and Management		
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PURPOSE

NMIT is committed to minimising its impact on the environment through the implementation of the principles of sustainability and by raising environmental awareness on Campus and in the surrounding Community.

Mission Statement: NMIT is committed to Sustainable Business Practice in all aspects of its operation including economic, social, cultural, and our environmental.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all staff at every operation centre of the Institute. In addition all existing and potential future suppliers and contractors will be expected to demonstrate, and include in any tender process, their sustainable credentials.

DEFINITIONS

Sustainability: able to be maintained; maintaining ecological balance (Encarta Dictionary).

RESPONSIBILITY

Directorate	Directorate members assigned to work with Teams and assist with best practice of sustainability.
All Staff	All staff to comply with the sustainability procedures and demonstrate positive behaviors to encourage a culture within the institute.

POLICY

The NMIT Sustainability Policy will develop, promote and maintain a range of sustainable business practices to ensure economic, social, cultural and environmental development across the institute.

PROCEDURES

Initially, the policy will promote more sustainable business practice by:

- 1. Building a 'culture of sustainability' through raising awareness amongst students and staff.
- 2. The responsible use of energy by measuring and reducing energy consumption.
- 3. Eliminating wastage of resources and adopting environmentally responsible procurement.
- 4. Adopting and implementing a sustainable full-campus recycling system; will begin on a smaller scale to ensure its success, and then evolve it into a campus-wide system.
- 5. Developing environmentally sensitive land care/horticultural practice.
- 6. Developing responsible transport management practices; including upgrading existing fleet of vehicles in Nelson and Marlborough areas.
- 7. Continuing to develop environmentally sustainable teaching and learning approaches.
- 8. Celebrating its 'culture of sustainability' through media, marketing, and campus/community focused events throughout the year.

Note: This policy statement will be subject to review on a once-yearly basis for the first three years, and thereafter on a three-yearly basis.