

The Law Society of Scotland recently announced further steps in response to the escalating climate crisis, seeking to act and lead change across the legal sector.

In November 2023, the Law Society's governing Council passed a [Resolution](#) formally setting out the Law Society of Scotland's strong commitment to climate action at an organisational and sector-wide level, while also announcing further plans to support the profession.

The new initiatives build upon the Society's COP-26 and Climate Change Working Group formed three years ago, and its commitments to sustainability in its [five year strategy](#) launched late 2022.

Law Society of Scotland President Sheila Webster has emphasised that "the legal profession must contribute to the response and ensure the rule of law, human rights and access to justice are upheld". The Society recognises that "the climate crisis is not just an issue for larger firms, but one which needs to be tackled by every corner of the Scottish legal system. We're committed to supporting every member and every corner of the profession to take action".

With that in mind, the Society's Sustainability Committee has created a [climate action resource hub](#) to support its members to achieve a climate conscious approach to legal practice.

If you wish to find out more about the Law Society of Scotland's work on climate change please get in touch at sustainability@lawscot.org.uk.