Our Achievements

Since 2010, with our first ESP, we have achieved the following:

INSPIRE

2
Green Globes
NSW Government Green Globe awards in 2014 and 2015

Staff planted 1000 trees in 2016 towards a
carbon neutral*
Vivid LIVE
Carbon neutral productions
Vivid LIVE 2011, 12, 15, 16
All About Women 2016
For Thought: Hope for the Planet 2016
Get Grubby Ecomusical 2016

39,100
have watched world-renowned sustainability thinkers and productions at the House.

123,500
online views of talks and productions, free of charge

Sustainability tours for over
600
students, peers and audiences

8
Learning Legacy
through 8 student internships

Developed a pilot
Get Grubby Carbon Footprint Video
a video education resource for primary aged students

Airbnb
Joined as a Sustainability Partner in 2015

* Carbon neutral events are calculated in line with the National Carbon Offset Standard (NCOS). Official carbon neutral events certification has not been sought due to certification cost.

GREEN BUILDING

4
Green Building Council of Australia
Green Star Performance
One of the few heritage buildings in the world to achieve this rating

Award-winning Concert Hall lights

Saved
75%
in energy use
while improving performance and safety via an innovative lighting upgrade

Recycling rates up from
20%
to
65%**

7%
Less electricity***
$1 million in electricity savings since 2010

Food waste
recycling introduced

OzHarvest
edible food donations

From 2 to 8
Recycling streams

Earth Check
accreditation of environmental management processes in 2016

EMBED

Launched SEALs
(Sustainable Environmental Action Leaders) a group of staff Green Champions.
12 active members.

A shift in staff behaviour
Paper diets
Switch off
Engaging talks

** FY2015/16 recycling percentage by weight calculation: general waste: actual weight. Mixed recycling: site specific density x bins, minus 5% contamination. Organics: site specific density x bins, minus 5% contamination. Other streams (cardboard, office paper, e-waste, lights, toners & polystYr ene), industry average density (BBP) x bins, no contamination rate applied.
*** The electricity baseline average electricity use 2003/04-2007/08.