

### **Greening The Open** Sustainability at Golf's Oldest Major

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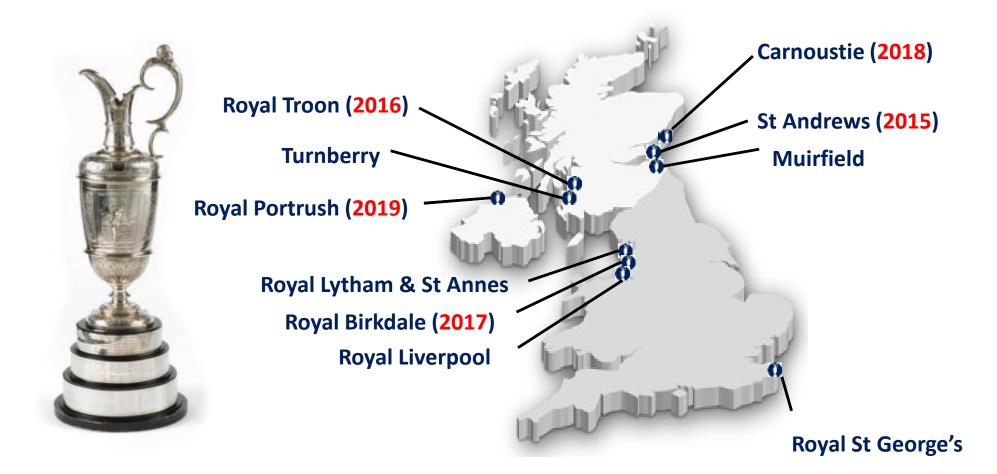












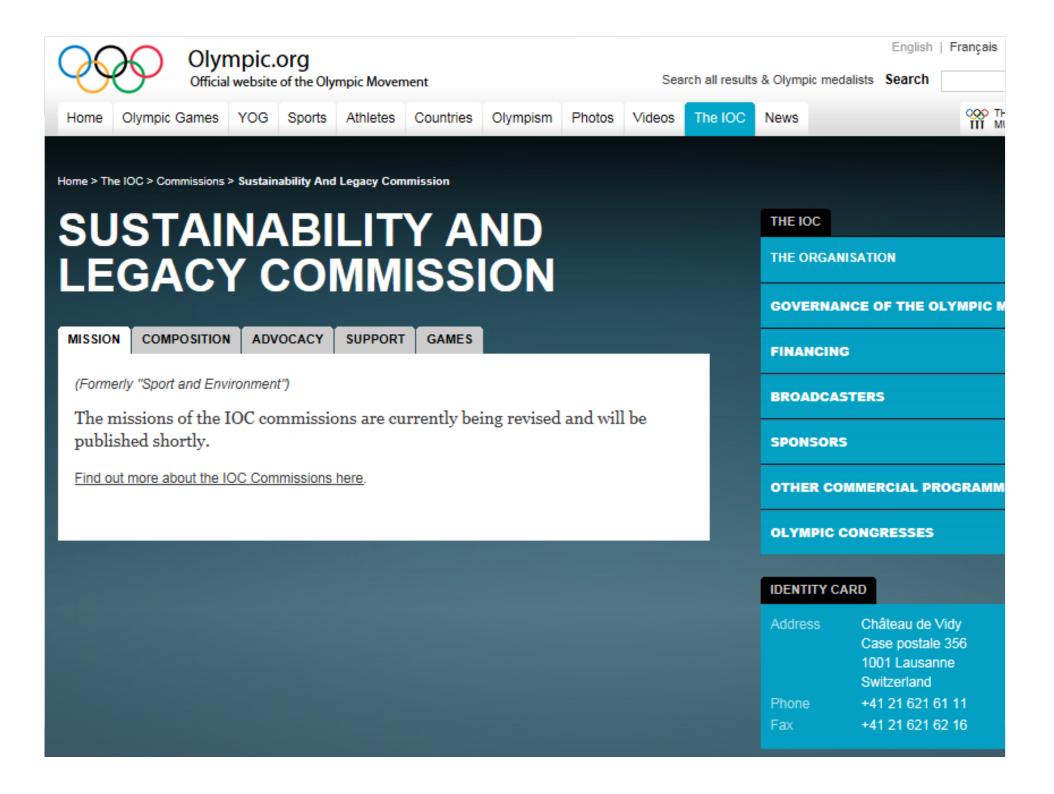






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## London 2012 'most sustainable' Olympics, watchdog says

London 2012 was the most sustainable Olympic Games ever held, a watchdog has said.

The Commission for a Sustainable London 2012 (CSL2012) said ambitious targets such as not sending any waste to landfill were on track.

The watchdog said London 2012 had "raised the bar for sustainability".

But it criticised the London Olympics' refusal to allow spectators to bring in their own food to big screen events showing the action.

Management of the live sites and London 2012's slow development of a comprehensive energy plan were all also criticised.

#### 'Sustainability baton'

CSL2012 noted in its review, entitled London 2012 - From Vision to Reality, that sustainability targets, such as 70% of waste to be reused, recycled or composted, were on track.



The report noted that opportunities had been missed for even further carbon reductions

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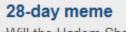
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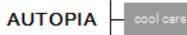
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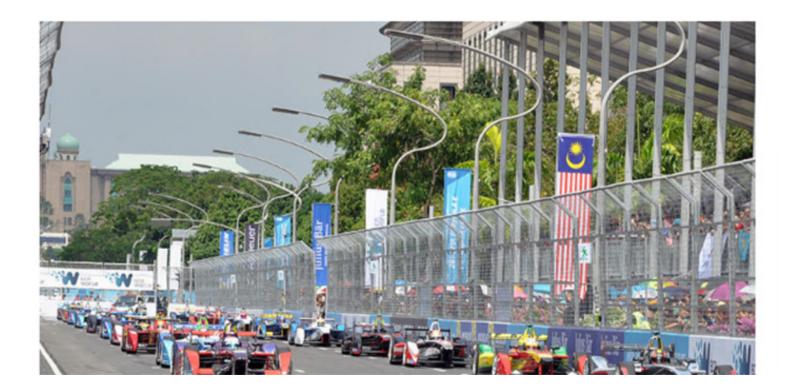


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## The sustainability in sport movement















### Major sport events



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## The Open Sustainability Strategy









#### A. Venue

- i. Club and course management
- ii. Site protection
- iii. Site restoration
- **B.** Staging
  - i. Procurement
  - ii. Energy
  - iii. Catering
  - iv. Materials; reuse and recycling
  - v. Community engagement
  - vi. Safety management

#### C. Communications

- i. Media engagement and reach
- ii. Training and awareness

#### **D.** Partnership

- i. Patrons, Official Suppliers and Contractors
- ii. Local community
- iii. Government

#### E. Legacy

- i. Advocacy and education
- ii. Projects
- iii. Industry standards



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#### Venue

• Club and course management

















## **Voluntary Sustainability Standards**





## **ISEAL Alliance**





## Golf's sustainability standard





#### Venue

• Site protection







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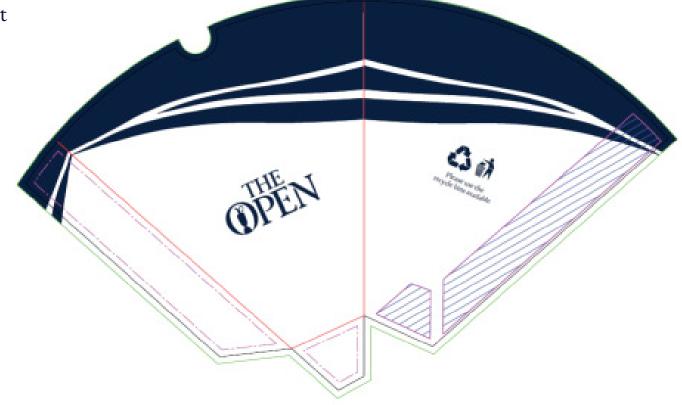
• Site restoration





## Staging

• Procurement





• Energy





• Energy: transport





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• Catering











• Materials; re-use and recycling





• Community engagement





• Safety management



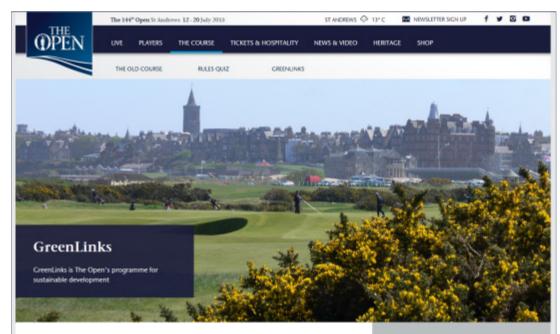


#### Communications

• Media engagement and reach



There will be lots of talk about birdies at The 144<sup>th</sup> Open Championship at the Old Course.



#### Sustainability at The Open

In recognition of the growing challenges facing our natural environment, The Open is committed to conserving the natural links landscapes which play host to the Championship. Taking into account specific site sensitivities and wildlife considerations, great care is taken to protect nature throughout the

#### Support GreenLinks

You can help the successful delivery of the GreenLinks programme by taking the following steps during your visit to The Open:



#### Communications

• Training and awareness





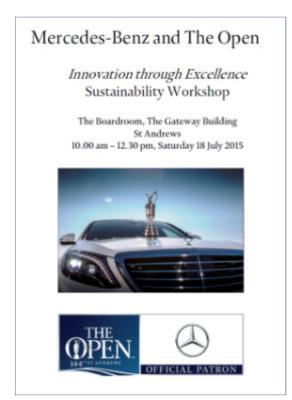
#### **Official Patrons**





#### Partnership

• Patrons, Official Suppliers and Contractors









#### Partnership

• Local community





#### Partnership

• Government





• Advocacy and education











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• Golf Development

Enabled directly by the ongoing commercial success of The Open Championship, The R&A delivers a 'Working for Golf' programme which invests surplus funds in a variety of global projects aimed at encouraging more people to play more golf in more places more often. Total annual spend is in the region of **£10 million**, channelled through a network of affiliated organisations in **138 countries**.





• Golf Development



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#### Legacy

Under the 'Working for Golf' banner, The R&A invests in key areas affecting the playing and development of golf worldwide. These include:

- Rules governance and education
- Equipment testing and research
- Coaching
- Special needs golf
- Provision of playing equipment
- Provision of greenkeeping machinery
- Grassroots initiatives
- Support for public facilities
- Professional golf
- Amateur events
- Student golf
- Heritage
- Advocacy for sustainability
- Education and scholarships







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• Projects





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#### Thank you for listening

#### Any questions?





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