

This policy describes the framework for our procurement activities in relation to our sustainability objectives.

## Objective

We embrace a wide definition of sustainability based on engaging in development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs and we recognise that we have a duty to pursue sustainable development in all we do.

We promote an awareness of sustainable development and environmental issues through our practices and we have an environmental management system in place to ensure we monitor and improve our environmental performance on an ongoing basis.

## Sustainable procurement Policy Statement

Procurement plays a key role in our contribution to sustainable development and we will utilise our position in the supply chain to influence all aspects of needs definition, acquisition, service delivery and product utilisation and disposal to ensure that environmental and sustainable factors are embraced within the framework of value for money and effective delivery.

Key points of our strategy;

- To encourage all those involved in conducting purchases on our behalf to be considerate of environmental and sustainability issues in all purchasing activity.
- To encourage the elimination of hazardous materials in our purchases.
- To encourage the reduction of waste in both goods and the packaging of goods.
- To encourage the reduction of environmental impact through excessive or unnecessary travel or the utilisation of more environmentally friendly vehicles.
- To encourage a culture of re-use and recycling of goods.
- Wherever viable, reorganise or redesign processes to require less goods or energy or to produce less waste or harmful emissions.
- Compile specifications that have been drawn up to encourage or favour, whenever appropriate, sustainable goods, services and works and to minimise environmental impact during use.
- Where possible, procure goods, services and works from suppliers and contractors that have their own sustainable procurement process.

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