

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY STATEMENT

1.1 Building Futures East as a charity and social enterprise recognises that day-to-day operations can impact both directly and indirectly on the environment. We aim to protect and improve the environment through good management and by adopting best practice wherever possible.

1.2 Building Futures East recognises the importance of sustainable development for future generations and that its decisions and actions affect society and the economy, as well as the environment and natural resources at local, national and global levels.

In all our activities we aim to:

- Continuously improve our environmental performance and integrate recognised environmental management best practice into our business operations.
- Reduce our consumption of resources and improve the efficient use of those resources.
- Measure and take action to reduce the carbon footprint of our business activities to meet our published objectives and targets.
- Manage waste generated from our business operations according to the principles of reduction, re-use and recycling.
- Manage our business operations to prevent pollution.
- Give due consideration to environmental issues and energy performance in the acquisition, design, refurbishment, location and use of buildings.
- Ensure environmental, including climate change, criteria are taken into account in the procurement of goods and services.
- Comply as a minimum with all relevant environmental legislation as well as other environmental requirements to which the firm subscribes.
- Reduce pollution.

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- Promote sustainable design and construction.
- Promote the use of locally sourced materials and services.
- Ensure low carbon and renewable energy resources are used wherever possible.
- Reduce waste production and increase recycling.
- Protect and enhance the organisations environmental assets and infrastructure.
- Develop and promote an integrated biodiversity plan for the business.

To meet our commitments we will:

- Set and monitor key objectives, targets and policies for managing our environmental performance.
- Communicate, internally and externally, our environmental policy and performance on a regular basis, and encourage feedback.
- Work together with our employees, learners, suppliers and partners to promote improved environmental performance.
- Promote appropriate consideration of sustainability and environmental issues in the services we provide.

Building Futures East will communicate this policy to all staff and raise awareness through training.

This statement represents our general position on environmental issues, and the policies and practices we will apply in conducting our business.

This policy statement will be reviewed annually by Building Futures East's Quality Coordinator.

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