EcoWorld International – London SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT POLICY STATEMENT



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In creating and maintaining the built environment, and in collaboration with our supply chain partners, we select and use a large volume of resources. The choices we make can have a significant and varied impact on people, organisations and the wider environment.

In recognition of this responsibility we have developed a Sustainable Procurement Policy that outlines how we and our supply chain will influence procurement choices of **goods**, **works** and **services** to; increase value for money; reduce consumption of primary resources; mitigate impacts on the environment; and deliver a healthier built environment.

By operating in line with this policy we will play our part in reducing risks, safeguarding natural resources, delivering value to our customers and stakeholders, improving resource efficiency, traceability, and transparency, as well as leaving a positive legacy on biodiversity and safeguarding natural capital.

Our approach to sustainable procurement is designed to help pursue best procurement practice in accordance with our group policy and with our aims and objectives to deliver **E**xceptional **E**nvironments, **C**onnected **C**ommunities by being an **O**utstanding **O**rganisation (ECO):

- · Use fewer resources and less energy
- Delivery continuous improvement in everything we do utilising innovative solutions wherever possible.
- Procure all timber and timber products from legal and sustainable sources and procure other construction materials with a preference for recognised responsible sourcing schemes.
- Specify and procure materials and products that strike a responsible balance between social, economic and environmental factors and generate benefits to society and the economy.
- Use resource-efficient products and give due consideration to end-of-life uses.
- Promote, specify and source materials which can be reused, and consider future deconstruction and recovery of resources to embrace the circular economy to leave a sustainable legacy across the built environment.
- Where practicable support and drive towards local procurement, providing opportunities for small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs), collaborate with the voluntary sector and increase the use of social enterprises to support local employment, diversity, and training.
- Ensure that fair contract prices and terms are applied and respected, and that ethical, human rights and labour standards are met, in line with our Modern Slavery Policy, living wage standards and the United Nations Global Compact principles.
- Source goods, works and services that embody sound environmental and health & safety practices, including commitments that maximise diversion of waste from landfill
- Enhance the health and wellbeing of the people and communities where we work by promoting materials and products that improve indoor environmental quality.
- Take full cognizance and all appropriate precautions to ensure the procurement of all works and material purchases comply with all applicable government and EWL protocols and/or policies.

Our approach to sustainable procurement is one of a number of ways in which EcoWorld London and our people demonstrate social, environmental and governance responsibility.

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