

Sustainability Policy Statement

Loughton Contracts Plc recognises that sustainability concerns increasingly influence both the public sector and corporate business markets in which we operate. It is our policy to minimise the environmental impact of our activities in the refurbishment, maintenance and new construction building operations in a responsible and accountable way.

We are committed to: prevention of pollution; continuous improvement in environmental and social performance, and complete compliance with all applicable environmental, social, and legal requirements.

This Statement details our commitment to greater environmental and social responsibility as we seek to enhance environmental awareness, reduce environmental risks, improve efficiency and stimulate more sustainable working practices.

As a UK company, we meet all national and international standards on human rights, anti-discrimination and social policy.

Background

Sustainable Development is a strategic driver for the governance of public and private sector organisations. Simply expressed, sustainability is about a systematic approach to balancing economic, environmental and social concerns Loughton Contracts Plc are focused on effective protection of the environment and the prudent use of natural resources whilst meeting our economic and social obligations.

Product Stewardship

We take environmental responsibility for the goods and services we supply. We are committed to working with our suppliers on the identification and specification of low impact products.

We are committed to extending the life of the flooring products that we fit to minimise the impact on the environment. In addition to supplying the original manufacturer's maintenance recommendations our commitment extends to providing our own customised maintenance service based on a digitized analysis of the traffic patterns within the client's buildings. Complementing the routine cleaning programmes, maintenance schedules tailored specifically for each area of differing traffic can extend the useful life by up to ten years. We use safe, environmentally friendly cleaning agents.

Carbon Footprint

We are committed to reducing the carbon emissions associated with our services. We aim to achieve year on year reductions. By utilising local labour wherever possible we reduce our transport needs and hence our fossil fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. We monitor our emissions and look at ways of reducing this.

Resource Management

Our "Get it right first time" quality management philosophy is applied to our floor planning process. Using CAD software, we minimize the materials used and maximize the yields obtained. This both reduces the original resources consumed and the consequent wastes generated. We have developed the internet based "Loughton Direct" tool to support clients in the efficient ongoing management of our clients flooring needs to minimise wastes.

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Supply Chain

We provide advice to end users on flooring specification and sustainability options. We have developed a sustainability check-list to enable our clients to benchmark the environmental performance of manufacturers and their product options. We advise manufacturers to eliminate cardboard packaging waste by delivering product to sites shrink wrapped on re-usable pallets. As we are FSC & PEFC Accredited we use Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or The Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) certified timber. We offer environmentally friendly adhesives and floor levelers with low or zero organic solvent content.



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