

# Sustainable Procurement Policy Statement

2021-2022

## Introduction

At Longworth we fully understand the impact that the construction sector/activities have on the environment and sustainable futures.

Longworth are aware of the impact that purchasing decisions and activities have and we strive to ensure any negative impact is minimised and positive.

Longworth are committed to implementing comprehensive sustainable principles across the business to ensure we procure sustainable, ethical and responsibly sourced materials, plant and services to increase value for money, have a positive value to society, the environment, the economy and improve lives of our stakeholders.

## Procurement Considerations

Through the Procurement Process, we will consider

- Ethical, fairness and respect of the services we procure.
- Material composition to ensure no unnecessary harm is caused to those involved in manufacturing, transporting, installing, dismantling, and recycling and disposal stages.
- Ensure all materials, where possible, are from sustainable sources and meet the relevant standards and certifications.

## Aims & Objectives

- Procure all timber, plywood and boarding products from sustainable sources under the FSC (Forest Stewardship Council), PEFC (Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes), CSA (Canadian Standards Association) and SFI (North American Sustainable Forest Initiative) Schemes.
- Use minimal resources to minimise carbon emissions associated with materials, plant & services we procure
- Where possible, source materials, plant and services to proven ethical and sustainability standard certifications and chain of custodies (for example, BES6001, ISO14001, REACH, BRE EPD etc.).
- Reduce waste by reducing quantity of materials, plant and services procured and repairing or re-using existing
- Procure materials, plant & services locally, reducing transport impacts, carbon omissions and improving local economies.
- Procure material products, plant and services that are not harmful to the environment or our employee's health in accordance with our COSHH Schedule of desired, restricted and prohibitive materials/goods.
- Procure from sustainable resources wherever possible.
- Ensure all Sub-Contractors and Suppliers adopt Longworth's visions on sustainable procurement and carry our all-relevant certifications.
- Ensure that fair contract prices and terms are applied and respected, and that labour standards and human rights are met, in line with our Modern Slavery Policy.

## Awareness

It is the responsibility of the board of directors to ensure employees adhere to this policy and provide an appropriate level of awareness through;

- Continued Specific Training, CPD Seminars and Personal Development Plans
- Including sustainable procurement requirements, responsibilities, objectives and targets with Project Specific Plans
- Embedding sustainable procurement with in our Standard Operating Procedures & Systems



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