

# **Sustainable Procurement Policy**

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## 1. Policy Statement

Eden Facilities & Property Management LTD is committed to responsible procurement that minimises environmental impact, supports ethical practices, and promotes long-term sustainability. We recognise that the materials, products, and services we purchase have direct and indirect impacts on people, communities, and the environment.

## 2. Our Commitments

We will:

- Source goods, materials, and services responsibly, ensuring compliance with UK law and international best practice.
- Give preference to suppliers that demonstrate strong environmental and ethical standards.
- Prioritise products with eco-labels, FSC-certified timber, low-carbon materials, and recycled content.
- Reduce transportation emissions by sourcing from local and regional suppliers where possible.
- Ensure waste is minimised and materials reused or recycled wherever feasible.
- Avoid products linked to illegal logging, exploitation, or modern slavery.
- Encourage innovation in sustainable products and services.
- Work with suppliers who share our commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and protecting biodiversity.

#### 3. Supplier Expectations

We expect all suppliers and subcontractors to:

- Comply with environmental, health & safety, and employment legislation.
- Operate ethical labour practices, free from modern slavery and exploitation.
- Provide evidence of sustainable sourcing where requested (e.g., FSC, ISO 14001).
- Support circular economy principles, including take-back schemes and recycling.
- Minimise packaging and favour recyclable or reusable alternatives.

#### 4. Implementation

To embed sustainable procurement, Eden will:

- Evaluate suppliers based on sustainability criteria during selection and tendering.
- Include environmental and ethical clauses in contracts where relevant.

- Monitor supplier performance and request improvements where required.
- Provide staff with guidance and training to support sustainable procurement decisions.
- Collaborate with clients and partners to identify sustainable alternatives.

# 5. Monitoring & Review

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant and effective. Progress will be measured by:

- Percentage of purchases made from sustainable or certified sources.
- Increased use of recycled or low-carbon materials.
- Reduction in waste and packaging.
- Positive supplier engagement on sustainability issues.

6. Policy Approval

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