



# Environmental Policy & Sustainability Statement

## General Statement

**BLAC is principally engaged in new-build and refurbishment construction. Our responsibility usually includes design and often decontamination, demolition and other enabling works. The company has adopted policies, procedures and processes which endeavour to minimise potential damage to the environment.**

Our vision is to be a sustainable construction business with transparency and accountability in our environmental and social performance. We also wish to explore opportunities to use sustainability as a driver for innovation and new business, by building on the synergies between our sustainability principles and our core values of openness and collaboration.

We recognise that our activities have an impact on the environment and we are committed to reduce and minimise that impact through seeking continually to improve our environmental performance.

The Directors have resolved whenever possible, to use products and work methods that minimise risk to employees, clients and the public as well as to limit emissions and waste and to improve the environment wherever possible.

### **Sustainability Objectives and Targets**

The key considerations which underpin our sustainability policy are conservation of resources, energy efficiency and pollution minimisation.

We shall work with the client design team to produce an integrated and high quality design concept, where intelligent and sustainable use is made of the site, whilst also linking in with the adjoining community facilities and services. We intend to:

- Increase the purchase of materials and products from sustainable and well-managed sources.
- Develop measures to reduce consumption of natural resources (energy, water and raw materials).
- Implement a programme to reduce emissions produced as a result of Company activities (waste, CO<sub>2</sub>, emissions to air and to water).
- Introduce green fleet vehicle management.
- Raise the profile of sustainable construction within strategic accounts.
- Increase knowledge of environmental and sustainable issues and best practice across all business streams.

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### **Environmental Policy**

We will put our Environmental Policy into practice by pursuing the following objectives. We intend to:

- Meet all relevant legislation, regulations and government guidance, and where possible meet the industry codes of practice on environmental issues.
- Ensure that our staff and subcontractors develop a good understanding of the environmental impacts of our business and what is expected of them to minimise these.
- Make efficient use of natural resources by minimising waste, conserving energy and water and seeking to use recycled materials wherever possible.
- Seek to use the most environmentally efficient modes of transport and reduce unnecessary travel.
- Communicate with local communities to ensure that our construction sites cause the minimum amount of disruption; and have minimum impact on the local environment.
- Ensure that all our suppliers are aware of this policy and the Company helps them apply similar environmental standards to their own business.

### **Resource Use and Waste**

The type of waste produced varies enormously according to the nature and the phase of construction works.

In order to minimise environmental impacts associated with the production of waste materials, all BLAC staff are encouraged to reduce, reuse and recycle. We are also committed to continuous improvement in the way in which we approach waste management, which may lead to new partnerships and innovation with our customers and their advisors / consultants.

### **Our Understanding of Environmental Stewardship**

Environmental stewardship is defined as “The inclusion in business decision making of the environmental impact of the business offer i.e. products, processes and services both upstream and downstream “.

We aim for a greater integration of environmental issues into decision making processes and a greater contribution to sustainability. Our objective is to integrate fully environmental and social factors into all business strategies with a view to enabling the company to contribute towards sustainable development.

### **Our Clients**

BLAC can help to achieve healthier, safer, energy efficient and resource conscious working and living environments.

We are committed to working with our clients to develop sustainable design, construction and service solutions by carefully selecting equipment and installations which have been sourced from sustainable resources and that will limit emissions and demand for power over the coming years.

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### **Our Employees**

BLAC recognises its employees as one of its most important stakeholder groups and we have developed a human resource strategy with a view to engaging in two-way communication with our employees. Employees are aware of this policy and encouraged to make suggestions and recommend actions that the company could adopt to further extend its positive approach to environmental issues.

### **Our Suppliers**

Identifying and managing the environmental impact of bought in products and services is an integral part of the development of our environmental policy. We are committed to working in partnership with its suppliers and key stakeholders to improve environmental performance throughout the supply chain.

### **Local Communities**

We take our corporate community responsibilities very seriously, particularly in the communities local to our operations. We therefore have a strong basis on which to develop social responsibilities of sustainability to ensure that all of our buildings work in harmony with the environment, and at the same time will have minimised the impact on natural resources, be a esthetically pleasing and user friendly and which have high standards of amenity, safety and convenience.

Signed by

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