

SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT POLICY

■ Delivering more sustainable solutions for our people, our customers and the wider community and environment in which we work and live ■

As market leaders in steel fabrication and erection, we recognise that operating in a sustainable manner is crucial to both the current and future success of the Group, the whole of the structural steelwork sector, and our working and living environments.

Our sustainable procurement policy underpins our commitment to our wider sustainability framework, sustainability policy and good procurement practices. We set out our sustainable approach against the principles below, all of which are in line with our sustainability policy and procurement policy framework guidance. This policy is driven by our values and strategic objectives to ensure that we operate responsibly and ethically in collaboration with our supply chain to achieve the ambition of offering long-term benefits to the economy, communities, and the environment.

This policy covers Severfield plc and its respective business divisions.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY IS TO ENSURE THAT WE:

- Promote awareness about sustainability in procurement amongst, colleagues, suppliers, and subcontractors.
- Procure products and services based on sustainable performance and functional requirements.
- Develop measures of sustainable procurement practice and include further sustainability criteria when evaluating potential suppliers.
- Analyse the performance of suppliers to identify areas for improvement against those measures and criteria.
- Use the results of our monitoring to benchmark our performance against similar organisations.
- Continuously comply with all relevant legislation and regulatory requirements.
- Ensure we work collaboratively with our suppliers, so they understand our sustainability targets and our expectations from them when it comes to sustainability.



IN LINE WITH OUR POLICY AND BES 6001 CERTIFICATION, OUR SUPPLIERS AND SUBCONTRACTORS ARE TO:

OUR EXPECTATIONS

- Work towards an appropriate sustainable procurement practices and have reasonable understanding of the topic;
- Provide us with the necessary data to help us monitor and measure the wider sustainability impact of our supply chain;
- To look for ways to continuously improve their performance in line with our sustainability objectives such as our Net Zero goals for 2040 and 2050;
- Share innovative ideas and learning with us to improve efficiency and sustainability in procurement of products and services;
- To show a willingness to become active members of the Supply Chain Sustainability School, a free resource to improve their knowledge on sustainability.



We will review this policy annually or if anything significant changes.



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