

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Fountains Forestry UK Limited's main business activities are in forestry and land management, consultancy and contracting, landscaping and arboriculture.

We recognise that high standards of environmental performance are key social and economic objectives for any organisation, as well as providing a competitive advantage. It endeavours to maximise all opportunities for environmental enhancement while carrying out its business activities.

Fountains Forestry has established Environmental Policy Commitments which are appropriate to the nature, scale and environmental impacts of our activities and services. These Policy Commitments will provide the framework for setting the Objectives and Targets. It will review this Policy, the Objectives & Targets and its environmental procedures at least annually to ensure continual improvement of its environmental performance.

Our Environmental Policy Commitments are:

- We will understand the environmental impacts of our activities in order to mitigate these affects so the prevention of pollution is achieved;
- We will comply with all relevant environmental legislation, industry standards and other requirements that are applicable to the scope of activities within Fountains Forestry;
- We will implement the necessary training and tools to protect and conserve biodiversity, landscape, wildlife habitat, archaeological and historic features;
- Encourage liaison with landowners, local communities and stakeholder organisations to ensure appropriate response is given to their needs and concerns;
- Promote sustainable management of our clients' forests, through their certification to the UK Woodland Assurance Standard;
- We will monitor the waste streams generated by our activities and of our clients so we can identify innovative waste management solutions;
- We will consider the key stages within our purchasing process in order to improve how we purchase in a sustainable manner;
- We will review the efficiency of our operational fleet so we can identify any fuel improvement initiatives and ascertain the best environmental option for purchasing new vehicles;
- We will promote awareness and a culture of environmental responsibility among employees, subcontractors, suppliers and customers.
- We will plan our operations and monitor and manage delivery through our subcontractor supply chain in accordance with environmental best practice to ensure standards and the mitigation of environmental impacts.



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