

Environmental Procurement Policy

ThomasVale Construction recognises that environmental issues affect every part of our business, and because of this we must take into account our purchasing and supply chain. To that end, this policy has been formulated to supplement the existing procurement policy by guiding our environmental principles.

This policy has the full support and commitment of the Board of Directors and will drive our actions.

The company will implement its Environmental Procurement Policy by pursuing the following:

- Encourage the use of goods and services which may be manufactured, used, and disposed of, in an environmentally sustainable way.
- The supply chain shall be fully conversant with all legislative compliances which affect their business and keep Thomas Vale Construction fully informed in respect of any infringements, penalties, or failures.
- Give preference to those goods that are manufactured with a high recycled content or are environmentally sustainable.
- Consider whole life costs, product miles and local employment, when purchasing decisions are made.
- Provide training and awareness to the relevant members of staff to ensure they factor environmental considerations into procurement decisions.
- Promote the reduction of energy consumption by giving preference to energy efficient products and taking account of any relevant energy labelling schemes.
- Ensure products are purchased without ozone depleting substances where suitable alternatives exist.
- Look to purchase timber and timber products that have been lawfully obtained from forests and plantations which are managed to sustain biodiversity and productivity.
- Seek to purchase recycled paper or paper originating from sustainably managed forests with FSC or equivalent certification.
- Where there is sufficient space, waste from the construction process will be segregated on site, otherwise a waste disposal firm will be used to sustainably dispose of all waste.
- Ensure that the supply chain commits to the principles of this policy and aligns their business to our corporate objectives and those of our clients.

Approved by SA Hyde, Managing Director (April 2009)

