

SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

- **Legal Compliance:** PBL will maintain a Legal Compliance Register and CEDREC Membership to ensure access to the latest Legislation.
- **Management of Sustainability:** PBL undertakes regular sustainability inspections and ensures that any corrective actions are addressed in a timely manner.
- **Head Office & Yard Sustainability:** In accordance with PBL Office (Health, Safety and Sustainability) Plan and Risk Assessments.
- **On-Site Sustainability:** At present, all sites where PBL operatives are employed are owned by Clients and managed by other Principle Contractors. PBL have to conform with the PC requirements so the amount of influence that PBL have over sustainability on sites is minimal however the following does apply:
- **Training & Awareness:** Any sustainability or environmental risks are covered in the site-specific RAMS. Prior to commencing any operations on site all PBL operatives attend a RAMS induction and have to sign to state their attendance and understanding of all issues discussed. Regular toolbox talks covering Sustainability topics are undertaken on the sites. PBL Site Managers will attend the Site Managers Safety Training Scheme (SMSTS), which includes modules on Site Environmental Management Systems and Waste Management.
- **Energy Usage:** This is covered during site induction and PBL operatives will be reminded via Energy Efficiency focused Tool Box Talks.
- **Waste:** PBL cooperate fully with the PC SWMPs (Site Waste Management Plans) and will provide data as requested. As a minimum - All scaffold boards will be reused or recycled; PBL will store items appropriately in designated areas to minimise damage and waste; PBL will ensure good housekeeping at all times; Where possible off-cuts and waste will be reused on site. If not possible the waste will be placed in the appropriate designated skip and sent for recycling; PBL will manage material deliveries and stock control to limit the amount of material stored on site and the amount of waste produced.
- **Water:** If PBL provide the mortar silos we will ensure that the mortar silos are stored in a designated area, away from main traffic routes and in a suitable sized bunded area with spill kits available. The silos will run efficiently and be well maintained in order to reduce water usage.
- **Material Sourcing:** PBL will consider the recycled content of our materials and where possible will use sustainable alternatives. PBL will provide any information requested by the PC regarding the environmental credentials of materials; PBL will consider using non-hazardous alternatives; PBL will consider using suppliers accredited to ISO14001; and will consider using local suppliers where appropriate.

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- **Pollution:** PBL will work in accordance with the Regulations; PBL will ensure that all fuel is stored correctly in accordance with the Regulations on fuel storage; PBL will store any fuels/chemicals in a double skinned tank in a designated area. Tool box talks will be given as required; PBL will clean equipment appropriately; Fuel will be stored in a designated COSHH area; PBL will ensure that the silo is well maintained and that the area is tidy and bunded;
 - **Air Quality:** PBL will not burn anything; PBL will ensure our noise levels are reduced to as low a level as possible; PBL will ensure our dust levels are reduced to as low a level as possible by using water suppression equipment.
 - **Purchasing Timber Scaffold Boards:** It is a requirement for all timber to be supplied with an FSC/PEFC certificate on delivery to the yard or to site.
 - **Innovation:** Encourage ideas, innovation, modern methods of construction and digital technologies internally and with our supply chain, that will create sustainable value.

Signed:



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