

Environment & Sustainability Policy

Consarc is committed to the protection of the environment and to achieving high standards of environmental and sustainable design. We view this not as a limitation, but as a global objective that can deliver real added for project and client alike.

As a part of Consarc's commitment to maintaining the highest levels of environmental management, Environmental Management System (EMS) framework and it is the intention that we follow the systems prescribed in ISO 14001. We are committed to:

- Developing our management processes that ensure that environmental factors are considered integral to what we do from the start;
- Advising on measurable environmental objectives such as BREEAM, encouraging improving environmental performance in the built environment;
- Promoting environmentally sustainable design based on locally responsive, passive design, efficiency and flexibility principles within briefs, advice, strategies and design;
- Striving to reduce wastage to a minimum; maximise the efficient use of materials and resources; promoting recycling and reuse where applicable, advocating the responsible management and disposing of waste;
- Complying with all applicable current and forthcoming environmental legislation, approved codes of practice, regulations, as well as non-regulatory best practice guidance;
- Providing training for our staff so that we all work in accordance with this policy and promote an environmentally-aware culture;
- Protecting the environment by preventing and minimising contribution to pollution of land, air and water, in particular through minimising energy use and promoting sustainable travel to work.

The detailed arrangements and further reading are set out in the Environment and Sustainability Guide. Consarc employees are required to read this upon induction and sign to say they have read and understood their contents.

Our activity

We aim to advise on or design spaces that are efficiently planned and enhance the lives of those who use them now and in the future. We consider sustainability and environment as an integral part of strategy and design for all our projects. As consultants, we are in a unique position to influence the way clients engage with the building process that can mitigate environmental impacts.

We accept as our duty to promote sustainable strategies, construction and building management systems through the whole life cycle of projects.

We subscribe to the UK Green Building Council (UKGBC) and London Energy Transformation Initiative (LETI) visions, which promote sustainability in construction, and are signatories to the UK Architects Declare Climate and Biodiversity Emergency pledge.

Our office

Consarc inhabits a shared naturally ventilated building with a high degree of natural light within a recently converted formerly derelict industrial building with good standards of insulation, making it highly sustainable office environment.

It is within a ten-minute walk from major train and underground stations with excellent bus routes, therefore encouraging staff to commute to work by public transport rather than car. Secure bike storage, shower facilities and lockers are provided in the office to encourage staff to cycle or run to and from the workplace.

A comprehensive recycling system for waste materials is in place, all our filing is digital and we attempt to purchase recycled products as much as possible.

This policy statement is regularly reviewed and updated as necessary. The management team endorses these policy statements and is fully committed to their implementation.



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