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Sustainability Policy

LLWR recognise that urgent action is required including changing its business practices to be sustainable in the long term and to protect future generations.

We commit to reduce our environmental impact and improve the sustainability of our waste operations and development activities, adopting the UN's Sustainability Development Goals and fully support the Government and NDA in their sustainability target of net carbon zero by 2050 or earlier if practicable, targeting 2030 as an aspiration.

Sustainability is defined as achieving a balance between the environment, society and the economy to ensure we meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. Sustainable development as a goal is achieved by balancing these three pillars of sustainability.

We will strive to be an ethically responsible organisation by minimising the impact of our business activities on our communities and the environment. We will deliver safe and compliant waste disposal in line with the waste hierarchy and our Environmental Safety Case; ensuring intergenerational equity, with the impact on future generations no greater than today.

LLWR Commits to:

Embedding sustainability within business processes and encouraging participation in sustainable initiatives, in and out of work. We will achieve this by:

- Providing information to staff on sustainability practices.
- Reviewing our processes and procedures to ensure they include consideration of the sustainability within their scope.
- Allowing time for employees to fulfil valuable community roles and initiatives.
 The promotion of wellbeing, equality, diversity, openness and fairness across the business and more widely.

Continuous improvement; measuring and communicating LLWR's performance on sustainability.

- Using measures and targets to improve our sustainability performance and to communicate it to stakeholders.
- Identifying key actions and an associated responsible owner to improve our performance.
 Sharing best practice and learning from events with others.



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Using the supply chain in a sustainable manner and using products and services from suppliers who have a sustainable approach to procurement.

- Embedding sustainability within our supply chain requirements and considering whole-life costing when assessing suppliers' quotations.
- Assessing suppliers throughout the qualification stage of all major procurements.
- Expecting our suppliers to embed sustainability within their processes; and requiring them to report their sustainability performance as part of their contracts with us.
- Continue to remove barriers to accessing local businesses and Small to Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs).

Working in partnership with the local community and investing in local community initiatives and schemes

- Consulting with the local community on decisions which may affect them.
- Providing a framework and transparent process to decide which initiatives and schemes to support, including the Copeland Community Fund (CCF).
- Working with industry groups and other local partnerships.
- Working with local schools to encourage skills and knowledge development through STEM activities.
- Encouraging participation and support for charitable activities and community volunteering; building longer term relationships with community organisations
- Demonstrating our commitments through our Socio-Economic Plan.

Striving to achieve minimal impact on the environment though LLWR's operations, development / construction activities and continually improving environmental performance

- Working to enhance habitats for protected species of plants and animals.
- Working to reduce CO₂ emissions.
- Monitoring and recording CO₂ emissions, energy use and water consumption; and sharing best practice across the NDA group.
- Reducing our carbon footprint; achieving carbon net zero by 2050.
- Following the waste hierarchy for all wastes generated by our site operations and office activities, seeking to minimise the volume of waste sent for disposal.