

# GRAYDON CONSTRUCTION

## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

It is the intention of GRAYDON CONSTRUCTION to conduct its business so as to minimise adverse effects on the environment. GRAYDON CONSTRUCTION will undertake to assess the impact of its activities and adopt procedures, control measures and business practices, which protect the environment. We will ensure regulatory compliance by setting standards that are to be achieved for all areas of our business. We will monitor and audit those standards on a regular basis and maintain an action plan aimed at continual improvement.

This policy is operational throughout the business and the key aims are:

- To wholly support and comply with or exceed the requirements of current environmental legislation and codes of practice.
- Preserving and enhancing the current environmental position.
- Reducing environmental damage caused by the use of resources and assess the environmental impact of any new processes or products we intend to introduce in advance.
- Reducing pollution by effective precautions, monitoring and prompt action where necessary.
- Minimise our waste and then reuse or recycle as much of it as possible.
- As far as possible purchase products and services that do the least damage to the environment, encouraging others to do the same.
- Raising awareness amongst stakeholders of environmental issues.
- Working collaboratively with stakeholders to positively impact on environmental issues.

Auditing and Environmental Risk Assessment will form the basis of our action planning and resource allocation. Performance standards and areas for improvement will be based on these foundations. Performance will be formally monitored on an annual basis. Risk assessments will be kept under continuous review.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE OPERATION OF THIS POLICY**

### **ENVIRONMENT CO-ORDINATOR**

The overall responsibility for the operation of this policy lies with James Grady. The designated individual will be allocated the resources to put into effect the Policy. It is the responsibility of the Environmental Coordinator to implement an Environmental Management System.

### **MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS**

All managers will actively participate in the promotion and operation of the policy, which will be allocated a similar level of priority as other business activities including production and sales. Managers will ensure that all employees are aware of the measures necessary to ensure compliance with our Policy.

### **ALL EMPLOYEES**

Each employee is to be aware of the efforts, priorities and activities designed to protect the environment that may operate from time to time. The policy is to form an element of the induction process for each employee/new starter.

Individuals may be allocated specific responsibilities for the implementation of the policy. These responsibilities will be set out in writing and allocated only to those individuals that are competent to discharge them.

### **EXPERTISE AND COMPETENCE**

Management will appoint an individual(s) to provide expertise and specific competence where necessary. Where this individual is an external service provider, service level agreements are to be agreed in writing prior to the commencement of any project. It is expected that the Management System will be audited by an external organisation appointed by Management.

Signature: *J Grady*

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## CALL THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY INCIDENT HOTLINE TO REPORT:

- damage or danger to the natural environment
- pollution to water or land
- watercourses blocked by a vehicle or fallen tree causing risk of flooding to rivers □

Oil or chemical spills into sewerage/watercourses/land

## FUEL STORAGE ON SITE

All fuels must be stored in a bunded tank or bowser.

If your bowser has a permanently attached tap or valve through which oil can leave the bowser:

- the tap or valve must have a lock
- the lock must be locked shut when the tap or valve isn't in use, to prevent oil flowing

## BOWSERS WITH PERMANENTLY ATTACHED DELIVERY PIPES

Your bowser must have locks on appropriate pipes, pumps and valves so oil can't flow when not in use. The lock should be on one or more of the following:

- any flexible delivery pipe permanently attached to the bowser - the lock should be at the point the pipe leaves the bowser
- any manually operated pump, e.g. a hand pump
- the valve on the delivery end of the flexible pipe attached to any automatic pump, e.g. an electric pump - the valve must close automatically when the pump isn't in use.

## **INCIDENT HOTLINE**

Telephone: 0800 80 70 60

24-hour service