ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

This policy sets out Costain’s approach to environmental management, contributing towards the company’s wider sustainability objectives.

Costain implements and maintains an Environmental Management System which complies with the requirements of ISO 14001:2015 to define, measure and control processes and activities that are employed in the execution of the business. We also commit to delivering infrastructure projects in accordance with the Company’s verification to PAS:2080 (carbon management in infrastructure).

We aim to continually improve the Environmental Management System and environmental performance of all Costain Group activities by proactively developing solutions to eliminate or minimise environmental impacts. Costain’s aspirations go beyond merely minimising harm, to working with our customers to provide environmental enhancement, sustainable solutions and tackle our industry’s contribution to climate change.

In order to achieve environmental excellence and become a net zero organisation by 2035 at the very latest we will:

- Continue to deliver our Climate Change Action Plan across all operations and areas of our influence along the whole value chain
- Continually review and improve our environmental management system to ensure all operations comply with environmental legislation and target higher levels of performance
- Eliminate damage to the environment and promote environmental enhancement through working with our customers to achieve a net gain in biodiversity and natural capital contributing to net positive by 2030.
- Protect the environment through preventing pollution and minimising our impact on water, land and soil quality
- Promote Costain’s environmental standards to the supply chain through the principles of sustainable procurement to ensure the adoption of high standards of environmental management and performance
- Seek to responsibly source all materials in accordance with our sustainable procurement guidance and procure only legal and sustainable timber
- Work in a way that contributes to a circular economy, to actively reduce the consumption of raw materials, energy, fuel, water and waste
- Educate and support staff, customers suppliers and contractors to improve awareness of environmental risks and opportunities and improve our carbon literacy.
- Work openly and collaboratively with customers, our supply chain, and all stakeholders to develop and provide sustainable, low carbon solutions that minimise resource use, environmental impacts, taking account of climate change risk and whole life cost.

Responsibility for the management of environmental issues lies with all Costain employees. The Directors of Costain will ensure that sufficient resources are provided to enable compliance with this policy.

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure that the management system is effective, consistently implemented and continually improved.

Signed: A Vaughan (Chief Executive Officer)  Date: 11-1-23

Business Owner: Group SHE Director