

# WCF

## Environmental Policy Statement

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WCF are committed to undertaking our activities to minimise our impact on the environment and local communities. As a minimum, we operate in compliance with legislation and strive to utilise relevant best practice in all our operations. We recognise that by meeting our obligations to detect and mitigate those adverse effects that our operations may be having on the environment, we can not only reduce our carbon footprint through reduced emissions, contamination, energy consumption and waste, but also provide our business with valuable commercial benefits and promote a positive image to our customers, employee owners and other stakeholders.

The key points of our environmental strategy are:

- Implement a rolling programme of planned maintenance, inspection and remediation on all our vehicles, equipment and properties using suitably qualified third parties where applicable;
- Continuously benchmark and evaluate our operations to ensure that they are as efficient as possible;
- Use the best available technology to route our vehicles, measure route efficiency and reward our drivers for safe driving;
- Develop, test and maintain robust emergency and spill response procedures;
- Educate and inform our colleagues about any environmental issues which may affect their work on an ongoing basis;
- Encourage colleagues to adopt work-related practices which have positive environmental impacts, such as cycling to work and re-cycling;
- Evaluate sensible opportunities to switch to renewable sources of energy to power our properties and commercial fleet;
- Evaluate opportunities to reduce our energy usage through investment in new, more energy efficient technologies and encouraging our colleagues to reduce their energy consumption;
- Re-use and recycle where possible and encourage our customers to do the same;
- Conserve energy and promote efficient use of resources;
- Eliminate single use plastic from our packaging;
- Avoid unnecessary use of hazardous materials;
- Use technology wherever possible to minimise travel; and
- Exchange information to share methods of best practice.

As a large entity, WCF complies with the Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (“ESOS”) and Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (“SECR”). We record and analyse our energy usage for Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions and take the necessary steps to implement energy savings wherever possible. Through the above we hope to demonstrate our environmentally responsible credentials and encourage our suppliers and customers to follow similar environmental best practice. We are now working on capturing the necessary data to map our scope 3 emissions to allow us to better understand and plan our own journey to net zero.



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