

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

NHS Shared Business Services (NHS SBS) recognises that concern for the environment should be an integral and fundamental part of the business. NHS SBS is aware of the impact of our day operations on the environment and our objectives is to balance the need to achieve business aims with an effort towards sustainable environmental improvement which can be measured and monitored on a regular basis, this objective is based on a People, Planet, Profit ethos.

Responsibilities and Organisation

Management within NHS SBS has specific responsibility for policy development, coordination and evaluation for performance. The environmental policy will be maintained and upheld by the designated managers to meet commitment.

Environmental aspects of our processes and activities will be effectively managed in order to protect the health and safety of employees, customers and the public whilst contributing to the future wellbeing of the environment and maintaining business strategies.

NHS SBS will provide the necessary training and support to all employees to ensure they understand and are able to fulfil the relevant aspects of the policy in their day to day work. The policy shall be publicly displayed. NHS SBS is committed to minimising the impact of all operations on the environment by means of a programme of continual improvement.

Appropriate resources will continually be made available to ensure that the environmental policy is implemented in full through managerial vigilance and regular auditing and review.

Principles

- Set clear objectives linking into NHS SBS's environmental aspects, associated compliance obligations and considering risks and opportunities with the aim of ensuring continual improvement of the company's environmental performance and management system.
- Conduct all operations to ensure adherence with relevant compliance obligations that NHS SBS conforms to.
- Show a continual commitment to the prevention of pollution through the use of operational controls, training and risk assessments.
- Make efficient use of resources through effective procurement, reuse rather than dispose of where possible and promote the use of recycled materials.
- Improve waste management and reduce waste to landfill where possible.
- Continually aim to minimise energy consumption through effective energy management.
- Reduce wherever practical the level of uncontrolled atmospheric emissions.
- Manage and control effluent discharges arising from all operations.

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