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“ The Chartered Institute of Procurement & Supply recognises that what we do can have a positive and negative impact on the environment. Our environmental policy addresses the impacts that we can control and influence. ”

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“ We are committed to being a role model for best practice in environmental performance. We are committed to sustainable development, to reduce the impact on the environment from our operations and to maximise environmental improvement. ”

## In order to implement this policy we will:

### Minimise waste

Investigate and implement ways of reducing waste streams created by CIPS which are going to landfill by elimination of waste, re-use or recycling of materials.

### Minimise pollution from our energy consumption

- Reduce the environmental footprint created by the energy we use. For example by purchasing electricity from a green source, looking at alternatives sources for our heating or energy needs.
- Reduce the energy use in our estate, thereby getting the maximum useful results from our energy input. For example by using double glazing, low energy light bulbs, loft insulation, double glazing, PIR sensors etc.

### Reduction of the impact of our travel

- Increase the use of video/tele-conferencing rather than travel; where travel is necessary focus is to be given to public transport where possible; where car usage is necessary our car fleet will continue to generate lower emissions and comply with the latest emissions standards
- We will only have cars with low CO2 emissions, 130g/m3 and this level is reviewed and where possible reduced annually in line with best practice and Government targets.
- Vehicles have regular maintenance, including tyre inflation levels and servicing of our company vehicles benefit in terms of safety, effectiveness and fuel economy.

### Environmental offset

Where practical understand the absolute impact of CIPS on the environment and investigate and where practical consider implementing an environmental offset program. The aim ultimately to understand the net balance of impact on the environment and off-set created, and to move towards a zero impact.

### Responsible Procurement

- We will consider the Environment and how we can contribute positively to environmental footprint in all our procurement decisions and work with our suppliers to deliver improvements.
- CIPS as the professional organisation guiding Procurement and Supply professionals within the UK and in many other countries of the world, can and do help educate and guide students and professionals to consider the environmental implications of purchasing in their roles, so their companies also contribute to improvements in the environment.

### Local environment of CIPS

Promote and encourage the company's involvement in local initiatives through our corporate social responsibility for the benefit of local communities and our staff.

### Staff training

Identify and provide appropriate training and advice for staff on environmental matters

### Staff engagement

Encourage all employees to reduce the environmental impacts associated with their work and homes, encouraging them to develop new ideas and initiatives.

### Latest Environmental understanding

CIPS will seek to understand the current suitable ideas and technology which may be applicable and help CIPS further progress towards good environmental performance.

### Legislative compliance

As an absolute minimum we will comply with all relevant environmental legislation, regulation and other requirements.

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