P-05 – Sustainable Procurement Policy



Introduction

Deans Civil Engineering recognises the importance of a sustainable future particularly in relation to the environmental and socio-economic performance of the construction industry and its outputs. We are therefore committed to embedding sustainable procurements principles into our business activities to ensure our procurement is carried out in an environmental and socially responsible manner.

This policy sets out a number of actions where we can use our purchasing power to help ensure our procurement is sustainable. Our procurement policy will seek to ensure that we purchase goods and services that not only represent value for money but also have positive impacts on society and the economy and cause minimal damage to the environment.

Procuring Good and Services

In procuring goods and services, Deans Civil Engineering Limited will seek to:

- Cut down on waste by reducing the number of goods and services procured and repairing or reusing existing goods.
- Manage and reduce our carbon emissions associated with the purchasing and supply of products and services.
- Purchase goods and services locally.
- Purchase goods that contain recycled content, thereby reducing carbon emissions and diverting waste
- Purchase products (e.g., light bulbs and electrical equipment) which are energy efficient.
- Purchase products and services which are sustainably sourced and least harmful to the environment and human health.
- Reduce pollution resulting from transportation of goods and services.
- Purchase from organisations that pursue/promote social responsibility and environmental sustainability.

In procuring goods and services, Deans Civil Engineering Limited will seek to avoid procuring the following products:

- Products which are not energy or resource efficient.
- Products containing environmentally damaging chemicals such as ozone depleting substances, solvents, volatile organic compounds and other substances damaging to health and the environment.
- Products produced with child labour.
- Products containing timber from unsustainable sources.

Awareness

Deans Civil Engineering Limited will actively promote awareness of its Sustainable Procurement Policy amongst its staff and suppliers by:

- Providing new staff with the Sustainable Procurement Policy during their induction and ensuring a hard copy is available in the office.
- Publishing the Sustainable Procurement Policy on Deans Civil Engineering Limited's website.
- Providing all existing and potential suppliers, subcontractors with access to the Sustainable Procurement Policy via a link to the website.

P-05 - Sustainable Procurement Policy



Implementation

Deans Civil Engineering Limited will implement its Sustainable Procurement Policy by:

- Developing a sustainable procurement strategy.
- Establishing procedures to the selection of priority goods and services.
- Contract permitting, offer sustainability criteria in tender specifications.
- Undertaking an assessment of the sustainability criteria of our key current suppliers and engaging with them to encourage best practice in management of key social, environmental, and economic issues.
- Developing sustainable procurement KPI's in areas where Deans Civil Engineering has control to monitor procurement practices against; and providing an annual report every November. KPIs will monitor out key spends, procurement activities of our supply chain, fleet, paper consumption and stationery.
- Reviewing the sustainable procurement policy every year from its commencement date.

It is the responsibility of the Managing Director to ensure the successfully implementation and development of this policy. All staff are responsible for complying with this policy.

Signed:

Steven Deans
Managing Director

July 2023