Environmental Policy

Forest Research is the UK's leading provider of applied forest science and evidence and of expertise, data, products and services for governments and the tree, wood, forest, and natural resource sectors. With reference to environmental aspects from our operations and built estate, we will:

1. Fulfil our legal requirements and other environmental compliance obligations.

2. Manage the impact of our activities by following the UK Forestry Standard and the ISO 14001 framework, and:

    - reducing our greenhouse gas emissions to support government *Net Zero* targets,

    - managing our consumption of water and energy and increasing the proportion of our energy derived from renewable sources,

    - managing the environmental impact of our business travel and promoting the use of sustainable methods of transport,

    - managing the amount of waste which we produce, and increasing the proportion of our waste which is reused or recycled, and

    - reducing the consumption of paper.

3. Prevent pollution and maintain effective emergency preparedness and response procedures.

4. Where practical, procure goods and services from sustainable sources and materials.

5. Enhance our environmental performance through continually improving our environmental management system and setting realistic targets, monitoring progress and promoting environmental awareness with our colleagues and stakeholders.

6. Encourage and support the best environmental practice across the wider sectors in which we work.

We will review this environmental policy annually and update it as necessary. We will publish it on the Forest Research website and display it in public areas of Forest Research buildings.

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