

## Environmental Policy

Buckley Gray Yeoman recognises that as architects we can have a real impact on our environment and have a responsibility to help end-users of our projects towards more sustainable consumption and enhancement of the natural environment.

We aim to incorporate sound environmental practices into all our projects and as an employer always strive to keep our staff aware of the latest technologies and guidance. Following these ideals our clients will benefit from increased operational efficiency, cost savings and improved quality of the end product, while our own staff will be able to operate in a healthy and sustainable workplace.

It is the aim of the practice to follow a number of key principles :

- Be aware of the latest developments in sustainable and low-energy building design and products and look to incorporate them into projects, where appropriate and financially viable
- Inform clients of the long-term benefits of embracing an environmental and sustainable approach into project aspirations and implementation
- Consider appropriate legislation and guidance, such as the BRE Eco-Homes Standards (Code for Sustainable Homes) when developing projects and ensuring staff are aware of relevant guidance
- Share experience and knowledge with fellow consultants with a view to improving the quality and quantity of environmentally conscious projects
- Awareness of the impact of the construction process on the environment, through researching the source and procurement of specified materials and considering appropriate construction techniques and minimising waste.
- Aim to keep our employees aware of the current sustainable technologies and encourage them to utilise this knowledge within design schemes where appropriate within the constraints of each project.
- Ensure that contractors and sub-contractors working in collaboration with us on projects also aspire to similar standards of environmental performance
- Responsible office management through reducing energy usage, emissions, and pollution and managing waste management