



# Sustainability Policy

## Purpose

The R&R Programme is responsible for delivering the Parliamentary building works (the “Programme”) as set out in the Restoration and Renewal Act 2019. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Sustainability is a primary consideration on the Programme and to establish the environmental, social and economic principles that support the Programme Vision, Strategic Themes and Goals.

## Principles

Sustainability will be championed across the Programme and integrated into all that is done to deliver environment, social and economic benefits. In line with the Strategic Themes and Goals, the Sustainability Aspirations are:

 <p><b>Conserving and Enhancing:</b> Safeguarding our heritage enhancing natural environment and protecting resources.</p> <p>Conserving Parliament’s heritage creating fit for purpose adaptable spaces. Using resources efficiently, minimising whole life carbon, and applying circular economy principles.</p>	 <p><b>Future Resilience:</b> Designing in operational flexibility and adaptability for a changing climate.</p> <p>Delivering resilience using innovative technology to maintain operation in a changing climate. Optimising building performance, establishing long term maintenance strategies and sustainable logistics.</p>	 <p><b>Developing Future Skills:</b> Boosting skills and talent for future generations.</p> <p>Upskilling the workforce and inspiring talent to create high quality, fair and inclusive employment and education opportunities locally, regionally and nationally, securing a legacy for future generations.</p>	 <p><b>Creating Value:</b> Building a Positive Social and Economic legacy for the UK.</p> <p>Creating and sharing the benefits and promoting equality, diversity and inclusion. Using exemplary sustainable procurement approaches to create social and economic opportunities.</p>	 <p><b>Caring for People:</b> Setting new standards for health, safety and wellbeing.</p> <p>Designing spaces that protect and enhance user comfort, through the incorporation of wellbeing principles and green infrastructure to allow people to work to the best of their ability in a healthy environment.</p>
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These Aspirations establish the Programme priorities and support the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The R&R Programme will implement Sustainability best practice as a minimum, learning from other major programmes and collaborating with our supply chain to promote innovation, deliver benefits and create opportunities for employment and skills training.

The R&R Programme will seek certification to Environmental Management ISO14001 which includes a commitment to pollution prevention and enhancing environmental performance. BREEAM Very Good standard will be achieved as a minimum on all projects. Performance will be regularly monitored, reviewed, measured and reported to support continuous improvement.

All Sustainability policies will comply with the legal requirements that relate to the Programme as a minimum. This policy will be reviewed regularly to ensure it remains effective and will be communicated and made available to interested parties and the supply chain.

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