

ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT AND POLICY

Tsarine Ltd believes that to become one of the premier small building firms in the UK, we must lead not only economically, but environmentally and socially as well. Our company affects the environment in the UK and abroad. Our objective is to sustain our environment for our future and also to rehabilitate the damage previously done.

Our corporate responsibility goes beyond our proprietary borders and we endeavour to cooperate with our neighbours and our suppliers to develop our business in a sustainable manner.

We continually strive to conserve resources throughout our operations. We seek to use local products, and services of local origin, where appropriate, and that are environmentally benign.

Tsarine will not only meet existing environmental laws and regulations, but will seek techniques and approaches that position us ahead of our competition.

Our policy towards the environment is readily available and promoted to our clients, suppliers and business partners. We believe that our company's future and the future of our environment are interconnected.

Our success is reviewed regularly with a commitment to improve.

Every little helps, we're doing our bit.

Tsarine seeks to:

Promote environmental sustainability in development

Tsarine Ltd is able to influence the environmental sustainability of development in the projects it undertakes with clients. Our approach to planning, business development services, and material sourcing will: -

- Ensure protection for the local environmental resources wherever the company's projects are situated
- Work with its partners to increase the sustainability of urban drainage and protection of the floodplain.
- Monitor the activities of its contractors and suppliers and will ensure compliance with relevant environmental regulations.
- Promote principles of environmental sustainability within its economic development and other activities.

Make more sustainable use of energy and reduce contributions to climate change

Tsarine Ltd contributes to global climate change by producing 'greenhouse' gases (such as carbon dioxide and methane) from a range of activities. We will identify these emissions and attempt to reduce them.

- We will consider a range of measures to achieve an overall reduction in 'greenhouse gas' emissions.
- The company will promote a range of measures to reduce transport related energy consumption and CO2 emissions from the company vehicles.
- The company will satisfy its statutory legal responsibilities in respect of home energy efficiency

Manage wastes more sustainably

The company has a strategy for managing its waste, which supports national and European principles and targets for more sustainable management of this valuable resource.

- The company aims to have zero waste for office and building project materials by 2010

- Work with partners and contractors, to prevent waste in the first place; maximise the recovery of waste, through methods such as recycling and composting, to reduce the overall volume disposed via landfill
- Work towards Government targets for waste and where possible exceed them.
- Look at the impact of the waste strategy in relation to the production of 'greenhouse' gases and ensure that our company considers the net effect on greenhouse gas production.
- Support local businesses and initiatives to establish markets for recycled products and encourage the use of products which help to reduce waste.

Monitor and Prevent Pollution

Tsarine Ltd will

- prevent the pollution of water, air and contamination of land that may occur through our building projects
- take account of issues relating to air quality in our project developments and build phases
- develop measures to reduce noise levels arising from transport and construction sites for its projects
- where possible use degradable chemicals
- minimise the use of solvents and lead-based paints
- only use timber from sustainable (managed) forests (FSC)

Improve the quality of neighbourhoods and local environments

Sustainable neighbourhoods make efficient use of land, enable local needs to be met locally and support a high quality of life for residents. Development within these areas should be attractive, of high quality, durable, accessible, and energy-efficient. The company will: -

- Pursue policies and programmes for the regeneration and development which will ensure use of environmental resources and protection for the historic, built and natural environment of the local area where it is working
- The company will consult, work with and empower local communities to ensure the best possible quality of life for residents and to promote neighbourhoods that have accessible green space and are free from pollution, litter, noise and other nuisances

Reduce the environmental impact of goods and materials used

There is a wide variation in the environmental impacts of products and raw materials we use every day. By comparing these impacts and choosing alternatives where possible, these impacts can be reduced. The company will

- Reduce the environmental impact of goods and materials we use by favouring sustainable alternatives.
- Encourage our suppliers and contractors to reduce the environmental and social impacts of the goods and services we buy and employ.
- Reduce water consumption to minimal levels where possible

Maintain levels of biodiversity and promote natural conservation

Tsarine Ltd through its building and renovation activities supports the natural environment which retains both typical and rare species contributing to regional and national biodiversity and providing an attractive and sustainable natural environment for leisure, education and work. The company has a moral and social duty to protect and further nature conservation and consider conservation interests in making local decisions on all projects. The company will: -

- Work to preserve important habitats, animals, plants and geological features in each and every project area and contribute to action for biodiversity through implementation of the area/city/council Biodiversity Action Plan if one exists
- Provide, on request, information on nature conservation, biodiversity and ecology for all clients on each project
- Ensure that we comply with relevant environmental legislation and designation for protection of species and habitats and control of invasive species.