

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Peel Ports Group operates as a statutory and competent harbour authority, licensing authority, port operator and a landowner in numerous locations around the UK and Ireland.

Government policy requires harbour authorities to strike an appropriate balance between long term protection of the environment and securing of sustainable economic growth.

In discharging its duties the Peel Ports Group will be committed to manage its obligations to the environment in a responsible manner and to develop its business to meet the needs of our customers in a manner which has due regard to sustainable development both for its business and the environment.

It is the policy of Peel Ports Group to:

- Comply with environmental legislation and other compliance obligations that relate to our business
- protect the environment from negative impacts including pollution and contamination;
- follow best environmental practice when conducting business and managing the Group's estate;
- maintain a high level of preparedness and respond in an appropriate and timely manner to any incident or emergency that may impact on the environment;
- ensure staff and contractors are given appropriate environmental information and training;
- minimise any significant adverse environmental impacts of new developments and work towards sustainable development;
- ensure environmental and sustainability considerations are given to purchasing decision-making and opportunities are taken to buy items having fewer environmental impacts;
- consider environmental and sustainability criteria when assessing and pre-qualifying suppliers and proactively managing suppliers' performance;
- reduce waste and follow the waste hierarchy, seeking opportunities to minimise the use of landfill;
- maintain communication with relevant regulators and authorities where there are common environmental interests;
- prepare, publish and monitor environmental objectives and targets with the aim of continual improvement;
- regularly assess and plan for impact of climate change;
- work towards achieving Net Zero in greenhouse gas emissions by 2040, by developing a route to reduce emissions and decarbonise;
- enforce the responsible management of environmental impacts among our tenants when they have the potential to affect our environmental obligations;
- communicate with employees, stakeholders and port users on environmental matters;
- promote a positive culture and attitude in relation to environmental matters, with the objective to conserve and enhance the environment

This policy applies to Peel Ports Group employees and contractors. It is the responsibility of employees to adhere to business environmental procedures, guidance and instructions.

This policy will be reviewed at annual intervals.

Mark Whitworth
Chief Executive



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