Housing Vision



Environmental Policy

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Housing Vision Consultancy (HVC) is committed to providing a quality service in a manner that ensures a safe and healthy work process for its employee and Associates and minimises its potential impact on the environment. HVC will operate in compliance with all relevant environmental legislation and will strive to use pollution prevention and environmental best practice in all that it does.
- 1.2 This will be achieved in conjunction with HVC's vision and values:

Vision

Combining advanced research skills with policy formulation to develop effective and practical solutions, tailor-made to our clients' needs.

Values

Commitment	all team members operate in a professional and flexible manner to
	ensure that clients' needs are met.
Value for Money	track record of competitively priced projects, successfully completed to a high standard, on time and within budget.
Diversity	offering skills, experience and geographical coverage that aid in delivering uniqueness for clients.
Impact	producing high quality outputs which clients can use with confidence to improve their performance.

2. Objectives

- 2.1 HVC will integrate the consideration of environmental concerns and impacts into all of its decision making and activities.
- 2.2 HVC will promote environmental awareness among its employee, Associates and Partners and encourage them to work in an environmentally responsible manner.
- 2.3 HVC will promote the efficient use of materials and resources in all of its work activities, for example, by minimising the use of paper.
- 2.4 HVC will, where appropriate, purchase and use environmentally responsible products and services.
- 2.5 HVC will work to keep travel to a minimum and when necessary encourage the use of public transport.
- 2.6 HVC will strive to offer environmentally responsible solutions for clients.



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3. Implementation, Monitoring and Review

- 3.1 The nature of Housing Vision's business model means the employee and Associates are generally home-based (work remotely) and therefore will need to take responsibility for their own working environment and its impact on the environment.
- 3.2 At the regular Housing Vision Business Review meetings, a standing agenda item on 'Environmental Matters' will ensure that the policy objectives are monitored.
- 3.3 The Director of Housing Vision, in agreement with the Associates, will review the Environmental Policy on an annual basis.
- 3.4 Dr Richard Turkington, the Director of Housing Vision, will have overall responsibility for the Consultancy's Environmental Policy.

4. Communicating the Policy

- 4.1 Where appropriate a copy of the Environmental Policy will be included in submissions for consultancy work.
- 4.2 All Associates operating on a sub-contractor basis to the consultancy will receive a copy of the Environmental Policy and agree its terms as part of the HVC Associate Code of Practice.
- 4.3 All Partners working with the Consultancy will be made aware of the Environmental Policy. HVC will seek to obtain copies of its Partner's environmental policies.