# Environment Policy

Network Rail runs, maintains and develops Britain's rail tracks, signalling, bridges, tunnels, level crossings and key stations. This Environment Policy sets out our approach to environmental management which is key to achieving our company's vision – 'A better railway for a better Britain'.

As part of this vision we will improve our environmental performance and leave a sustainable environmental legacy for future generations. We believe that outstanding environmental performance is a central part of being a responsible and successful company and will help us to protect and enhance the UKs environment.

We expect everyone who works for Network Rail to apply the following key principles agreed by the Executive Team to guide our work activities:

- We will as a minimum comply with all relevant environmental and social legislation and regulatory requirements
- We will identify our significant environmental impacts and manage these appropriately
- We will take action to prevent pollution to land, air and water which may occur as a result of our operations
- We will buy and use natural resources in a responsible and sustainable manner
- We will reduce the amount of material we use and minimise the amount of waste we produce
- We will manage our land sustainably including consideration of our impacts on biodiversity
- We will become more energy efficient and reduce our carbon emissions
- We will make our network resilient to weather impacts and future changes in the climate
- We will provide employees with the relevant competence and training to deliver our policy
- We will continually improve our environmental performance
- We will implement and maintain an environmental management system that follows the principles of ISO 14001:2015 with commitment from our Executive Team
- We will set objectives and targets to monitor our environmental performance

These principles and commitments complement our Energy and Carbon, Weather Resilience and Climate Change Adaptation, and Social Performance Policies.

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