

# Stone Federation

## Sustainability Statement



Stone Federation encourages its members to commit to the delivery of a quality professional service.

The Federation recognises that their members operations have the potential to impact upon the environment and therefore seeks to ensure that the potential harmful effects of their actions are minimised wherever practicable.

Stone Federation supports the companies to reduce or eliminate their environmental impact throughout their activities by engaging, all staff, partners, stakeholders and customers are encouraging them to follow the approach set out below.

Stone Federation members are encouraged to:

- Identify and comply with all relevant legal requirements.
- Strive to attain a satisfactory balance between economic, social and environmental responsibilities.
- To investigate all areas of energy usage in all areas of the business and establish a programme of reduction with measurable targets.
- Minimise the amount of waste produced by reducing, reusing and recycling, and ensuring careful and responsible disposal of any waste we produce according to legislation requirements.
- Endeavouring to source materials from sustainable resources and to take all reasonable steps to ensure that any stone or other products purchased from the developing world are from an ethical source.
- Ensuring awareness amongst all employees of the importance of environmental issues, and providing training appropriate to their responsibilities.
- Ensuring their activities are safe for employees, associates, delegates and others who come into contact with their work.
- Monitoring purchasing practices and internal operations including energy and transport to ensure best use of natural resources and minimum environmental impact.
- Developing relationships with suppliers, customers, contractors and relevant third parties to discuss and promote improvements in environmental performance.
- Seeking to incorporate environmental considerations into future decision-making at all levels.
- Making this policy publicly available to any interested parties.