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ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY POLICY



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Macfarlane + Associates are a placemaking agency delivering meaningful public realm design for complex urban regeneration projects. Through the lens of the climate emergency, our consultancy offers a holistic approach to sustainable design by dynamically engaging with environmental opportunities.

Our responsibility as landscape architects and urban designers to connect people, place and nature holds inherent value in tackling environmental, ecological and social challenges. As a consultancy providing advice and services to clients, we acknowledge the positive impact we can have on the offering of projects.

This policy commits us to strive for the decarbonisation of the built environment and reversal of the biodiversity crisis, setting the foundation for implementing longer-term plans to tackle and adapt to these twin emergencies. Actions included within this policy are designed to build a company culture of continuous environmental improvement through:

- Mapping our own carbon footprint as a business – understanding where our emissions come from is a fundamental step in the journey to become net zero and will inform decisions about how and where to make changes;
- Setting and reviewing environmental objectives, targets and performance measures on an ongoing basis;
- Adhering to our internal sustainable design assessment framework, applied at the inception of projects as well as during design review sessions to benchmark our work and ultimately elevate the value of landscape;
- Influencing clients to adopt environmentally robust practices and design solutions within a development that safeguard and enhance both the environment and wellbeing of users;
- Supporting and aligning with the Landscape Institute and facilitating their efforts to mobilise the industry as a whole;
- Joining wider sustainability initiatives run by local business improvement district;
- Complying with relevant legislation, regulations and industry good practice as applicable;
- Committing to a programme of training and continual professional development for our employees designed to improve our performance and environmental awareness.

A fundamental part of our climate response approach is active communication of this environmental policy. Tracking our progress against wider trends and other changes over time will allow these targets to be embedded into future forward planning. Transparency is key for building momentum on collective action and we strive to take a position of leadership on this. We commit to reviewing this policy on an annual basis and reporting on the actions being taken towards achieving both interim and longer-term pledges.




Glen Macfarlane
Founding Principal

For a company to successfully and strategically change in line with the transition to a low carbon economy, it requires commitment and drive from its leadership. Endorsed at the head of organisation level, the board and Directors hold direct responsibility for its implementation and communication through all M+A operations.

To maintain our position as a market leader and ensure the consistent provision of products and services that meet client, statutory, and regulatory requirements, we systematically monitor different aspects of our service through audits and other forms of assessment.

This policy is subject to be reviewed regularly and updated over time to ensure that it remains up to date. Superseded policies will be posted within the company's digital server and revisions will be marked.

Macfarlane + Assocs is a registered practice of the Landscape Institute (Reg. No. 966) and is therefore bound by the Landscape Institute's quality assurance principles and Code of Practice.



We are a placemaking agency delivering meaningful public realm design for complex urban regeneration projects. Our portfolio draws on 20+ years of experience creating that sense of place for award-winning landscapes in the UK and worldwide from large-scale masterplanning to local community projects.

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