

# Environmental Procurement Policy

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Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners are constantly striving towards reducing its impact on the environment as well as tackle issues such as resources efficiency, waste minimisation and environmental awareness.

Sustainability should be considered as part of its value for money process and environmental issues should be considered in the procurement of supplies, services or works.

Environmental responsibility should be a factor in procurement decisions. Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners is committed to:

- Preventing pollution and promoting the protection of the environment and minimising the impact of all our activities.
- Contributing to a sustainable and healthy future by conserving natural resources and minimising avoidable waste and pollution;
- Implementing effective waste management through reuse and recycling procedures and the purchase of recycled and recyclable material where possible;
- Consider goods and services which may be manufactured, used and disposed of in an environmentally responsible way;
- Give preference, where items are of a similar cost, to those that are manufactured with a high recycled content or are environmentally preferable;
- Consider whole life costs and impacts when assessing equipment for purchase, such as:
  - Manufacture, transport and installation;
  - Operating costs including energy, water use and maintenance;
  - End of life costs including decommissioning and disposal.
- Work with suppliers to make them aware of Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners Environmental Procurement Policy and ensure the environmental credentials of suppliers;
- Training and the raising of awareness of staff to ensure they consider environmental issues in procurement decisions;