

Environmental Policy Statement

Our purpose is keeping people warm while protecting the planet. We're fully committed to our role in tackling climate change alongside the communities we serve. As the leading gas distribution company in the UK, we're responsible for protecting the environment whilst delivering clean, affordable energy. We will deliver high standards of environmental performance and protection, enhancing the environment in our regions and beyond, whilst seeking innovative and sustainable ways to lighten our environmental footprint.

Our Chief Executive and Senior Management Team have overall responsibility for our environmental performance, supported by employees. We commit to implementing ways to reduce the impact of climate change through the following:

- Taking a leading role in the transition to low carbon green gases and enabling a choice and delivery of clean energy for all our customers.
- Taking proactive and practicable mitigation, adaption, and available initiatives to reduce carbon emissions in operations, maintenance, modification, and construction activities whilst improving our energy efficiency and reducing use.

We will inspire a culture focused on environmental sustainability by:

- Preserving natural resources and using materials effectively, through circular-economy design, use of sustainable materials, refurbishing assets responsibly, and implementing innovative waste management practices.
- Protecting and restoring biodiversity by seeking ways to enhance the natural value of our sites for the benefit of a greener society and ecosystem services.
- Reporting on our environmental performance and using this

information to inform decision making and to consult with stakeholders on Environment Action Plans.

We commit to continuously monitor and improve our environmental performance and management whilst reducing the risk of incidents and pollution. In particular:

- Ensuring good environmental practice to meet our compliance obligations and working actively to prevent pollution from our activities.
- Appropriate access for our colleagues, contractors and suppliers to applicable training and procedures necessary to meet our environmental obligations.
- Contractors and suppliers demonstrate the same commitment to the environment as us through the procurement process.



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Steve Fraser
Chief Executive Officer