

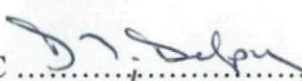
## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT FOR POLARIS HOUSE

The Research Councils are committed, both individually and collectively, to adopting and promoting environmental good practice in all their operations, and require the same commitment from contractors that are employed on the Polaris House site, thus continually improving the environmental performance.


Specifically, the Research Councils will:

- comply with all relevant legislation, Government policies and standards of good practice for environmental management;
- seek to minimise the adverse environmental impacts of new buildings, office refurbishments and landscape changes, through good specification and design;
- make efficient use of natural resources, including gas, electricity and water;
- operate effective arrangements for the reduction, reuse and recycling of waste, and for the safe storage and disposal of waste that cannot be avoided;
- work in partnership with contractors to promote effective environmental supply management; to help support the Council's policy to prevent pollution
- work with staff and contractors to reduce adverse environmental impacts associated with travel, including encouraging the use of more environment-friendly forms of transport;
- facilitate the effective implementation of any environmental policies and procedures by providing appropriate information and training to employees.

To achieve the above, the Research Councils recognise that they must have a good understanding of the environmental impacts of their operations, and must develop realistic objectives and targets for the reduction of any adverse impacts. The Joint Research Council Environmental Group will review this policy and objectives once a year.

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