## **CARBON POLICY STATEMENT**



Beaver Pest Control is committed to lowering our carbon footprint and reduce the impact of our company on the environment. Our policy is to reduce our energy use, strategise how we can improve every part of our business so that our operational goals and environmental targets are aligned to deliver a continually improving and environmentally sustainable solution.

We are one of the largest independent pest control companies operating in the capital and we are keen to support the low emissions zone and reduce the emissions in the city, thus improving the health and wellbeing of those that live, work and use the capital.

We are striving to become a carbon-neutral company by 2030. Targeted to achieve Net Zero by 2045.

We recognise that a large part of our carbon emissions has come from the use of fleet vehicles, which often result in being stuck in dense traffic in and around the capital. We aim to reduce this by hiring staff close to the office and adjacent to the contracts they serve. This results in hiring skilled staff and delivering services through the Foot Tech scheme on foot close to their homes, reducing the need to use polluting diesel vehicles. We have moved our fleet to meet the Euro-6 standard, and we will be conducting feasibility studies to begin planning for switching to an all-electric fleet by 2030.

We have a variety of initiatives in place to benefit the environment and thus reduce our impact. One initiative is a tree-planting scheme that we are going to increase year-on-year and reduce our impact on the environment.

We encourage, where circumstances allow:

- lift-sharing to and from work
- reduced heat settings for offices and switching off lights in unused rooms
- reduced van washes, only when necessary
- staff engagement to help drive environmental ideas and culture
- skilled driving to reduce fuel use and emissions
- reduced paper and material use when not absolutely necessary
- repurposing or recycling of all waste prior to considering landfill

Our Procurement strategy is to purchase goods and services that are least polluting and most sustainable. All timber furniture or products must be backed by the FSC scheme.

Beaver audits suppliers and contractors to ensure they achieve strong environmental credentials and meet the aims and goals of ISO 14001, and we will audit them every year.

Training is a cornerstone of our positive business culture and it helps keep all staff on message. We will continue to deliver environmental training and include relevant topics when required to improve awareness and increase knowledge and skills.

To underpin this whole environmental culture and system, we will maintain our ISO 14001 accreditation, which is supported by an Environmental Policy, an Environmental Management plan and a drive to improve our environmental performance to become carbon neutral.

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