

Environment & Energy Policy



Govia Thameslink Railway Ltd is committed to delivering a more sustainable way to operate our railway; this policy sets the framework for achieving our aims and applies to our Environment and Energy Management System. Our minimum standard is to comply with all legislation and other requirements related to environment and energy use relevant to our industry.

Objectives and targets have been set in accordance with our Committed Obligations and 'Towards a One Planet Railway' Sustainability Strategy. These will be made available internally through a series of guides, manuals and training modules, and will be reviewed as required by the Safety and Environment Executive.

Through continued support from top management and engagement at all levels of the business we ensure that we are working towards meeting our objectives and targets by; applying the ten One Planet principles; through our approach to Life-Cycle thinking as set out in our 'Considering the Life-Cycle' Guide and the availability of information and other necessary resources as required.

Govia Thameslink Railway will continually improve environmental performance through our commitment to:

aligning the five ways of wellbeing; Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give to develop a culture of commitment to health and happiness

working with groups across the network to deliver a better railway together and continually improve accessibility of services

identifying key roles for nuisance management, develop and deliver training to address identified nuisance types and work with station and Community Partnerships to develop cultural programmes

protecting the environment and preventing pollution by engaging in projects across the network to promote B-Line methodology whilst developing ACE wildlife specialists

monitoring and reducing our water consumption by implementing a Water Management System and undertaking water feasibility studies to identify innovation and initiatives in water management

working with Station Partnerships to consider development of food growing projects on stations, and with tenants to consider food management processes to reduce waste

improving the management of resources and design for energy performance by promoting and communicating to suppliers our approach to life-cycle thinking and energy efficiency during procurement of equipment and services

encouraging sustainable transport through promotion of site projects and travel plans to help connect passengers with work and home

improving our waste management process by reducing our waste at source, increasing recycling and diverting the amount of waste we send to landfill

identifying areas of significant energy use, identify opportunities to improve energy performance and reduce Carbon Per Passenger Journey

This policy is available on the Environment Page of 'Together Online' and external websites, it is documented and communicated throughout the business and is regularly reviewed and updated as necessary.

Patrick Verwer
GTR Chief Executive Officer, September 2018

