

Environmental Policy



Towens is a waste management company that produces, transfers, treats and disposes of household and similar industrial commercial waste, both hazardous and non-hazardous.

We operate a growing number of waste transfer and treatment permits, authorised by the Environment Agency and currently operate across four sites in Weston-Super-Mare, Middlezoy, Clutton and Westonzoyland. These sites and associated activities form the remit of our environmental policy.

With an annual handling capacity in excess of 340,000 tonnes of waste per year we recognise that our operations impact on the environment in a number of ways and we are committed to reducing these impacts whenever practically possible.

In particular we will:

1. Adopt a top down approach to environmental improvement, with senior managers and directors providing leadership by actively engaging and supporting the environmental policy;
2. Create a transparent approach to environmental management and openly communicate with all interested parties;
3. Comply with legal and other requirements applicable to environmental aspects;
4. Demonstrate understanding of the organisations impacts by integrating environmental management into business operations. This is achieved by planning environmental protection through sustainable resource use (including lifecycles), prevention of pollution and limiting environmental impacts.

5. Take a strategic approach to achieve continual improvement in environmental performance by continually improving our Environment Management System and focussing on areas of significant environmental impact. We systemically review and measure our performance against key performance indicators and formulate environmental objectives to facilitate such continual improvement.
6. Demonstrate an understanding of the needs and expectations of interested parties by ensuring employees, suppliers and contractors engaged with Towens are aware of how they can affect the environment as a whole but also our organisations environmental performance. Where we are in a position to influence their environmental performance, we will do so in a positive and collaborative manner.
7. Audit operations on a regular basis to identify risks and opportunities and to highlight actions required to prevent recurrences of potential areas of poor performance.

This policy has been devised, and is fully supported by the Board of Directors of Towens Waste Management Ltd and Towens of Weston Ltd.

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Nick Towens - Managing Director

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