Sustainable Procurement Policy

Trinity Laban is committed to ensuring our procurement processes incorporate the principles of sustainable purchasing which include preventing pollution, minimising waste, preserving natural resources and promoting resource efficiency by eliminating, reducing, reusing and recycling.

Policy

Our purchasing processes will inevitably have socio-economic and environmental implications both locally and globally, and as such we aim to ensure that our activities meet the diverse needs of the staff, students the economy and society both now and in the future.

We will achieve this through:

- Working with the London University Purchasing Consortium (LUPC) and reviewing their approach to sustainable procurement.
- Complying with all relevant environmental legislation.
- Educating suppliers about our approach to sustainable procurement.
- Working with our key suppliers to bring about changes and thereby spread sustainability improvements through the supply chain.
- Allowing budgets to reflect the need for sustainable purchasing.

Additional Improvements

As part of our ongoing commitment to improving all aspects of sustainability, Trinity Laban will encourage the following improvements in regard to sustainable procurement:

- Significant reduction in the use of products containing hazardous substances.
- Increased use of products with recycled content or that are biodegradable.
- Reducing CO2 emissions arising from the transport of materials.
- Encouraging suppliers to achieve recognised environmental credentials.
- Ensure barriers to entry are such that local suppliers are encouraged to provide services and bid for appropriate work.
- Promoting staff awareness on our approach to procurement and promoting best practice for sustainable purchasing.

Whole Life Cycles

The whole life of any goods and/or services to be procured by Trinity Laban should as a minimum include:
• Manufacture, delivery and installation costs and operating costs including energy, water usage and maintenance.
• End of life costs including decommissioning and disposal.
• Suppliers that have environmental credentials which are, as far as legally practicable, considered in the supplier’s appraisal process.