

Sustainability Policy - Latimer by Clarion Housing Group

Policy Statement

As the development arm of Clarion Housing Group, Latimer is committed to delivering homes and communities for those who have been failed by the market. Sustainability is a fundamental part of this commitment; across the three pillars of sustainability – environmental, social and economic.

This policy should be read along with <u>Delivering a Positive Future – Clarion Housing Group's</u> <u>Sustainable Development Roadmap to 2025</u>. This sets out the targets and ambitions for Latimer's activities up until 2025, helping Latimer become the partner of choice for delivery sustainable and affordable homes; as well as providing a position of leadership in the industry.

To deliver truly holistic sustainability in all of our developments, we work with a framework of five pillars. They are:

Social value building inclusive communities and delivering economic growth through jobs and apprenticeships.

Healthy places putting the health and wellbeing of our residents first, creating healthy indoor and outdoor environments for all to enjoy.

Adaptable and resilient delivering safe and secure homes that are resilient to the changing environment and the evolving needs of people.

Planet friendly creating positive impacts to the natural world, increasing biodiversity and minimising the impacts of the materials we use.

Energy and carbon rapidly moving to deliver homes that are net zero carbon in operation and significantly reduce our embodied carbon footprint.

This all-encompassing approach will deliver the step change needed in our home building activities; creating a happier, healthier and more sustainable environment for all who choose to live in a new Latimer home. This policy and the roadmap are enacted through our Sustainable Development Framework, which defines our minimum standards and stretch targets in specific areas.

Objectives

Our overarching sustainable development aims are:

- To be recognised as an industry leader in innovation and sustainability
- To deliver net zero carbon compatible homes as soon as possible
- To create sustained economic growth in the communities we work in
- To enhance biodiversity, creating developments that positively impact the local environment
- To future proof our new homes against the effects of climate change
- To create safe, secure and healthy places to live

These are delivered through goals set out under each of the pillars of sustainability as follows:

Social Value

- Generate sustainable economic growth in the communities we work in
- Promote active participation in community engagement activities during the development process
- Work with considerate and responsible partners

Healthy Places

- Create inclusive and well-connected communities that make residents feel safe, secure and healthy
- Create happy places to live through access to quality outdoor space
- Provide healthy indoor environments

Adaptable and Resilient

- Deliver developments resilient to the impacts of climate change
- Create homes designed with resilience and long-term thinking in mind
- Utilise shared knowledge to create continual improvements

Planet Friendly

- Promote local ecology and biodiversity
- Reduce the environmental impact of our construction activities, including working with contractors with certified Environmental Management Systems (ISO14001 or EMAS)
- Promote the use of materials that do no harm to the planet, societies and our future

Energy & Carbon

- Delivery zero carbon compatible homes
- Build with the circular economy in mind
- Enable the management of energy and carbon performance in operation to reduce the performance gap.

Governance

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it is kept up to date with the ambitions and priorities of Latimer and the wider Clarion Housing Group. It is communicated to all staff and stakeholders and is available on our website.

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