

## Environment

Burgess Salmon is the independent UK law firm which delivers the best mix of advice, service and value. Our environmental management system is certified to EN ISO 14001.

### Our impacts

We recognise that our impact on the environment results principally from the following activities:

- Procurement and use of manufactured and natural resources (such as paper, gas, water and electricity) at our offices.
- Waste generation from our offices.
- Energy use through travel.

### Our commitments

We are committed to the principle of continual improvement in reducing the impact of our activities on the environment. In order to achieve this commitment, we will:

- Comply with all applicable environment legislation and guidelines. Where such legislation and guidelines set standards, we will not only meet those standards but endeavour to exceed them where practicable.
- Operate an Environmental Management System to measure, manage and reduce the impact of our operations.

- Work with external stakeholders to reduce our indirect impact.
- Integrate awareness of environmental impact across our business.
- Advise clients on the opportunities and obligations arising from and under environmental law.
- Work collaboratively to engage in the public debate on the environment and to develop, apply and promote best practice across the legal sector.
- Report on our progress and be accountable.
- Prevent pollution from our operations. Protect and where possible enhance the environment through our Responsible Business activities.

These commitments incorporate the core principles of the Legal Sustainability Alliance. We are founder members of the Legal Sustainability Alliance; a network of law firms committed to working collaboratively to take action on climate change by reducing their carbon footprint and adopting environmentally sustainable practices.

### Our actions

We will take the following actions in order to minimise our environmental impact:

- As part of our procurement policy, take into account the environmental impact of purchased goods and services, and assess suppliers on their environmental credentials in accordance with our Supplier Charter.
- Reduce volumes of waste generated as far as practicable and promote the recycling of unavoidable waste.
- Optimise the level of energy efficiency at our offices in Bristol, London and Edinburgh, all of which have a BREEAM "Excellent" rating.
- Record and monitor paper, electricity, gas and water consumption.
- Progress our transition to a "paperlite" office.
- With increased remote and agile working, aim to sustain environmental benefits and increase the engagement of our people to monitor and minimise impacts of different working patterns and locations

**Roger Bull**  
Managing Partner  
Burgess Salmon LLP

August 2020

### [www.burgess-salmon.com](http://www.burgess-salmon.com)

Burgess Salmon LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (LLP number OC307212), and is authorised and regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority. It is also regulated by the Law Society of Scotland. Its registered office is at One Glass Wharf, Bristol BS2 0ZX. A list of the members may be inspected at its registered office. Further information about Burgess Salmon entities, including details of their regulators, is set out on the Burgess Salmon website at [www.burgess-salmon.com](http://www.burgess-salmon.com).

© Burgess Salmon LLP 2020. All rights reserved. Extracts may be reproduced with our prior consent, provided that the source is acknowledged. Disclaimer: This briefing gives general information only and is not intended to be an exhaustive statement of the law. Although we have taken care over the information, you should not rely on it as legal advice. We do not accept any liability to anyone who does rely on its content.

Your details are processed and kept securely in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. We may use your personal information to send information to you about our products and services, newsletters and legal updates; to invite you to our training seminars and other events; and for analysis including generation of marketing reports. To help us keep our database up to date, please let us know if your contact details change or if you do not want to receive any further marketing material by contacting [marketing@burgess-salmon.com](mailto:marketing@burgess-salmon.com).