

Environmental Policy

Branston has three potato packing sites, situated in Lincolnshire, Somerset and Scotland. The sites are engaged in the grading, washing, packing and distribution of potatoes for retail and wholesale customers. The Lincoln site also packs sweet potatoes and contains a standalone Prepared factory producing ready-to-cook food products for retail and foodservice customers.

With a total handling capacity in excess of 400,000 tonnes 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:

- Adopt a top down approach to environmental improvement, with senior managers and directors providing leadership by actively engaging and supporting the Environmental Policy.
- Create a transparent approach to environmental management and openly communicate with all interested parties.
- Comply with legal and other requirements applicable to environmental aspects.
- Integrate environmental management into business operations.
- Aim to achieve continuous improvement in environmental performance by improving our Environmental Management System (EMS) and focus on areas of significant impact. We systematically review and measure our performance against key performance indicators and formulate

environmental objectives to facilitate the improvement.

- Demonstrate understanding of the needs and expectations of interested parties by ensuring employees, suppliers and contractors engaged by Branston are aware of how they can affect the organisation's environmental performance. Where we are in a position to influence their environmental performance we will do so in a positive and collaborative manner.
- Audit operations on a regular basis to identify risks and opportunities and to highlight actions required to prevent recurrences of poor performance.
- Appoint a full time Environmental Officer to manage the programme, supported by the Technical Director who together, will provide regular board updates and engage the wider leadership team.
- Establish a multi-disciplined EMS team who will provide governance for the process.

This policy has been devised by the EMS team and is fully supported, by the Board of Directors of Branston Ltd.



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Managing Director

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