



ROBERT PRICE

Sustainability Policy

Robert Price (Builders Merchants) Ltd is an independent family-owned supplier of building materials. Two of our working directors are 5th generation descendants of our founder, who started the business in Abergavenny in 1847.

Over a history spanning more than 160 years, we have established deep roots and ties in the local community. The vast majority of our staff lives locally, as do our customers and many of our suppliers and providers. By investing locally, generating employment opportunities and supporting a wide range of local cultural, sporting and educational activities, we are helping to improve the quality of life in South Wales.

We recognise that we must manage our business sustainably by balancing economic strength and growth with social improvement and the protection of our environment. Our business plan incorporates the following strategies to enable us to do so:

Economic

- Having sound business and accounting practices
- Paying our suppliers promptly
- Investing for the future in land and capital resources
- Being innovative
- Actively seeking and developing new financial opportunities
- Identifying and mitigating risk.

Social

- Recruiting and retaining local staff
- Valuing and rewarding loyalty and long service
- Providing good working conditions
- Providing equality and developing staff potential through training
- Being actively involved in local matters and engaging with and supporting local organisations and communities

Environmental

- Being committed to a programme of continual improvement in environmental management.
- Incorporating best practice and continually improving waste management, recycling and energy efficiency
- Managing our fleet efficiently so as to minimise its impact on the environment
- Actively promoting the awareness and use of sustainable building products
- Considering ethical and environmental issues in our purchasing policy and maintaining chain of custody for our timber products
- Sourcing goods and services locally
- Influencing suppliers to source ethically through joint purchasing power

Our business has developed in harmony with local people and communities. We are committed to continuing to manage our business responsibly and to maintaining these fundamental sustainable principles for the mutual benefit of the company and the communities in which we trade.

Dated 12th November 2010

SignedTessa Pike.....
Mrs T. L. Pike - Director