

Guide to Sustainability

A REVIEW OF 2024/2025
ACHIEVEMENTS



An Introduction to Brett Sustainability



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At Brett Landscaping and Building Products, we recognise that sustainability is not a single initiative but an ongoing commitment woven into everything we do. From reducing packaging and eliminating plastic wrapping to expanding the use of renewable energy, we are constantly challenging ourselves to do better.

We are working closely with industry partners to increase the use of recycled materials, while also improving manufacturing efficiency to reduce waste and energy demand. Across all our sites, our focus is on cutting carbon emissions and supporting the journey to Net Zero.

For our customers, this means choosing Brett is not only about high-quality products but also having the confidence that they are made responsibly, with the future in mind.

Brett. Built On Relationships.

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2024 Highlights

Environmental



19.3%

reduction of plastic used in bags, hoods and shrinkwrap. (Between 2013 and 2024).



66,217kWh

of renewable solar energy was generated on-site in 2024, with 12,581kg CO₂e of carbon offset.



489m³

of rainwater harvested in 2024.



68%

of energy reduction from the Energy Reduction Projects, including the Insulation & Fast Acting Doors project. We are saving over 100,000 kg CO₂e per year.



2024 Highlights

Social



236

employees attended "Vision Zero" workshops in 2024, equating to 354 employee contact training hours.



All senior managers hold IOSH Safer and Healthier by Leadership Qualifications.



A Mental Health Champions network across Brett with a dedicated Employee Assistance Hotline to support mental well-being.



Economic



product ranges have verified, published carbon measures associated to them.

Over 38



Brett continues its agreement with the Pallet Loop Charter to support the circular economy.



15%

recycled content now makes up the backing mix of Premium Plus products.

Latest Initiatives

Biodiveristy

We recognise the vital role biodiversity plays in sustaining healthy ecosystems, resilient communities, and future generations.

At Brett Landscaping and Building Products, we are committed to protecting and enhancing biodiversity through responsible business practices and proactive environmental stewardship.

Our team at Cliffe have built an insect habitat to encourage pollinators and support local wildlife. By supporting natural habitats and promoting sustainable development, we aim to contribute to a greener, more resilient world.



Energy Reduction Awareness Campaign

Energy use has a significant impact on both the environment and our business. To address this, we launched our latest Energy Reduction Awareness Campaign, designed to influence energy consumption across all areas of the business – from site offices and manufacturing to laboratory spaces.

By raising awareness and encouraging smarter energy use, we are reducing emissions, cutting costs, and driving long-term sustainable change.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Our sustainability strategy is a strong mission for positive change through cross-functional collaboration to deliver sustainable operations, a resilient supply chain, and a commitment to drive social and environmental change.

Environmental Goals:



From working towards our 'Remove or Reduce' plastic packaging strategy to our investments at manufacturing sites to provide sustainable and renewable energy solutions, we take responsibility to ensure we minimise the impact we have on the environment.

Economical Goals:



Through product innovation and purposeful material waste recycling we continue to ensure the products we produce contribute towards building sustainable cities and communities. As an independent business, we understand the importance of transparency. We strive to ensure our sustainability credentials are clear, precise, and attainable.

Social Goals:



We care about our people and the people around us. From supporting individuals and communities who have the desire to renovate public outdoor spaces to ensure our employee's Health, Safety, and Mental well-being are protected by ongoing our Vision Zero campaign.

We actively support the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and make an ongoing commitment to keep them at the core of our strategy, ensuring we make an impact toward building an inclusive, sustainable, and resilient future for people and the planet.

5-Star Sustainability Rating



Understanding a product's sustainable credentials is important in landscaping designs. That's why we are rolling out our 5-star Sustainability Rating for all Brett Products.

Only our most sustainable products meet the Brett Landscaping 5-star rating. These products use Renewable energy, Harvested rainwater, Recycled materials, and much more.

These ratings are displayed on the product pages of our products, in our literature and on product packaging labels.

Stage 1:



= 100% Recyclable product.

Stage 2:



= Stage 1 plus 100% recyclable packaging.

Stage 3:



= Stage 1 & 2 plus packaging contains 30% recycled content & Harvested water used.

Stage 4:



= Stage 1,2 & 3 plus product offers a flood prevention solution.

Stage 5:



= Stage 1,2,3 or 4 plus Renewable energy used & Contains recycled materials.

The Future Vision 2050 and Beyond



Working towards Net Zero by targeting Carbon emissions. We aim to reduce our absolute carbon and KGs CO₂e per tonne year on year.



Create an Online carbon calculator accessible to all, proving transparent data to our customers, allowing them to make well informed decisions.



The vision is to have renewable energy supporting our manufacturing efforts at all Brett Landscaping sites by 2050.



Continue to work towards our ethos of 'Remove or Reduce' the use of plastic within our product and samples packaging.



Through product innovation commit to increasing the amount of lower carbon materials in our products, making them more environmentally friendly.



Our vision is to continue increasing the use of natural resources within our products, specifically the use of rain water harvesting across all of our manufacturing sites.



Continue to transition to an EV fleet and further improve the infrastructure to support these vehicles.



We will continue to be dedicated to our people's health and wellbeing. Offering an inclusive, diverse and supportive workplace for all of our people.

Supporting Resources

Brett Website



The Brett website is the best place to find all up to date information on our sustainability credentials. In one central hub, you can access our accreditations, certifications and policies along with a detailed view of our sustainability initiatives and vision.

PermCalc



PermCalc is the only design software of its kind. As a leading innovator of permeable paving solutions, Brett designs cost-effective permeable pavement solutions for SuDS applications.

More information about PermCalc can be found on our website.

Environmental Product Declaration



An Environmental Product Declaration is a document which transparently communicates the environmental performance and impact of a product or material over its lifetime.

Brett's EPDs can be accessed on our website.

Accreditations and Collaborations

Brett has a long and proud history of environmental and social responsibility initiatives in the UK and our global supply chains, this is reflected in our "Built On Relationships" strapline.

Key examples of this commitment were being one of the first in the landscaping industry to obtain independent certification for ISO 9001, ISO 14001, ISO 45001.

Brett Landscaping also holds BES 6001 Responsible Sourcing of Construction Products certification to "Excellent" which can further assist when designing under BREEAM.



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