## A Pocket Guide to Sustainability 2023



#### An Introduction to Brett Sustainability



**Richard Baldry** Managing Director, Brett Landscaping

At Brett Landscaping, we have looked at every aspect of our business and have committed to ensuring we have sustainable operations and a resilient supply chain.

As a responsible manufacturer we understand the importance of making everything we do as environmentally sustainable as possible and are constantly working to reduce carbon emissions.

If we all work together - we can make a difference.

#### Brett. Built On Relationships.



**Phil Litchfield** Sustainability Manager

From reducing packaging to increasing renewable energy use, we have worked very hard in all aspects of sustainability at Brett Landscaping.

As well as further improvements in lean manufacturing, we are working to eliminate plastic wrapping and working with the industry to utilise materials with high recycled content.

Across all Brett sites, we are looking at reducing absolute carbon produced, pushing more efficient manufacturing of our products to reduce our energy demand and further support Net Zero.

Brett's customers can be confident that we are constantly looking at ways to improve efficiency and sustainability while producing the highest quality products.

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## 2022 Highlights

#### Environmental



Reduction of plastic used in bags, hoods and shrinkwrap. (Between 2013 and 2022).



Of renewable solar energy was generated on-site in 2022.

2,000%

Increase in harvested rainwater in 2022 (vs previous year), with Poole using 213m<sup>3</sup> of recycled rain water in 2022.



Metric tonnes of carbon offset in 2022.



#### Economic

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Product ranges now have verified, published carbon measures associated to them.



Brett has signed an agreement with the Pallet Loop Charter to support the circular economy.

15%

Recycled content now makes up the backing mix of Premium Plus products



## 2022 Highlights

#### Social



Increase in community events in 2022 (compared to 2021).



Employees attended "Vision Zero" workshops in 2022, equating to 524 employee contact training hours.



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

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT G ALS

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.

# **The Future Vision** 2030 and Beyond



Working towards Net Zero by targeting carbon emissions. We aim to reduce our absolute carbon year on year with a 50% reduction in KGs  $CO_2$  per tonne.



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



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.



The vision is to have renewable energy supporting our manufacturing efforts at all Brett Landscaping sites by 2030.



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



Begin 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.















# Dedicated to creating a more sustainable future.

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