

# OUR SUSTAINABILITY

# FRAMEWORK

## **Our sustainability framework**

At Kebur we take our responsibility to people and the planet seriously.

Our aim is to help our customers create their dream gardens. Protecting our environment and reducing the impact of climate change can only serve towards this aim and improve long-lasting enjoyment of outdoor spaces. As a supplier, a customer, an employer, and a part of our local community, we believe in acting with integrity and fairness towards others in all we do. This plan sets out our recent achievements and our objectives that will help us meet our goal of Net Zero carbon emissions by 2050. Fiercely protecting our natural resources is not only our moral responsibility, it is vital for the future of our business and our quality of life.

### We will



#### **IMPROVE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**

We're committed to minimising any harmful effects of our operations on the environment through energy, transport, waste and water use. We're developing our plans for net zero and look to support and promote biodiversity where we can.



#### TREAT ALL OUR PEOPLE FAIRLY

This includes everyone involved in supplying our products, none more so than our suppliers of natural stone paving. We expect suppliers to ensure working terms and conditions meet or exceed the standards in the <u>Ethical</u> <u>Trading Initiative Base Code</u>.



# BRING THE BENEFITS OF GARDENS TO OUR COMMUNITIES

As a local business, we are proud to belong to the Federation for Small Businesses and the Community Matters Partnership Project, and we love nothing more than improving outdoor spaces for our community.

# Highlights 2022-23

We continuously review the actions we are taking to make our business as sustainable and responsible as it can be, and actively looking for opportunities to do more. Here's what we achieved in 2022-23:

Focus area	Objective	Achievement 2022-23
Climate	Stock more sustainable products	<ul> <li>Stocked ultra-low carbon cement</li> <li>Worked with suppliers to map carbon footprint of six of our products</li> </ul>
Waste	Minimise the impact of waste we produce	<ul> <li>Diverted over 11 tonnes of waste from landfill by donating unsellable but usable materials to community groups</li> <li>Introduced 30% recycled bulk bags</li> <li>Invested in operational changes to reduce breakages</li> </ul>
Transport	Minimise our emissions and fuel consumption	<ul> <li>Upgraded HGV fleet to 100% Euro 6</li> <li>Invested in electricity supply upgrades to prepare for EVs</li> <li>Introduced verified carbon offsets for forklift fuel</li> </ul>
Energy	Reduce energy use and promote renewables	<ul> <li>Invested in more light sensors, smart meters and more efficient glazing for our buildings</li> </ul>
Biodiversity	Support projects that promote nature and biodiversity	• Funded 3 local projects that will enhance biodiversity and help benefit and educate communities

### Our targets for 2023-24

# We are ambitious about what we can achieve

Focus area	Objective	Target for 2023-24
Climate	Stock more sustainable products	<ul> <li>Communicate with customers about the carbon footprint of products</li> <li>Influence suppliers to cut emissions in our supply chain</li> <li>Actively seek new products that have a lower carbon impact</li> </ul>
Waste	Minimise the impact of waste we produce	<ul> <li>Reduce the amount of damaged and wasted stock</li> <li>Divert more commercial waste from landfill through improved recycling</li> </ul>
Transport	Minimise our emissions and fuel consumption	<ul> <li>Install EV charging points</li> <li>Upgrade fleet to 100% lower emission ULEZ compliant vehicles</li> </ul>
Energy	Reduce energy use and promote renewables	• Explore options for investing in renewables
Biodiversity	Support projects that promote nature and biodiversity	• Fund 3 local projects that will enhance biodiversity and help benefit and educate communities

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