

Climate Change Policy

OBJECTIVE

Dulverton Waste Management (DWM) is committed to finding practical and effective ways to address climate change risks within its operations using best practice adaption and sustainable design principals.

LEGISLATION

- Climate Change (Greenhouse Gas Emissions) Regulations 2012
- Climate Change (State Action) Act 2008

DEFINITIONS

Environmental Management System (EMS):

An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a structured management tool which provides a methodical approach to planning, implementing and reviewing the performance of an organisation in regard to its legal and other requirements for environmental management. It follows the standards set out in AS/NZS ISO 14001:2004, and is regularly audited independently to assess adherence and for ongoing improvement.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Board:

- To set strategy and approve resources to support required objectives of this policy.

Chief Executive Officer:

- To provide the systems and procedures to support the objectives of this policy.

POLICY STATEMENT

It is known that landfill sites are generators of methane and carbon dioxide, and other gases, which are produced as the waste is anaerobically decomposed.

DWM, as the operator of a large landfill site, recognises that we have a responsibility to continually improve our operations to reduce the production of greenhouse gases and will do so by the following actions:

- Increase understanding and knowledge of the level of emissions created by DWM operations by participating annually in the National Pollution Inventory (Emissions Estimation for Solid Landfills).
- Continue to work with local government and regional waste groups to improve greenhouse gas knowledge and management.
- Use the Improvement Program in our Environmental Management System (EMS) to list suitable objectives, and their target dates for completion.
- Continue to pursue the options for installation of greenhouse gas recovery infrastructure.
- Consider practical ways to limit greenhouse gas emissions on all future projects, and detail these on the Aspects and Impacts register in the EMS
- Engagement of relevant stakeholders; and
- Actively monitoring our operating regularity environment.

OTHER KEY RELATED POLICIES

- Environmental Policy

REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed every four years unless directed otherwise by the Board, or earlier if a legislative change occurs.

REFERENCE			
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