

Waste and Resource Use Policy

Using materials efficiently and minimising waste not only makes good environmental sense, it makes good business sense too. An efficient business will be a profitable one, and one better able to reduce the life cycle impacts of materials and wastes, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change.


Taylor Wimpey consider all materials generated during the life cycle of the house building business - including demolition materials, soils from earthworks and excavation, and construction phase residues - to be resources. Only when their value has been properly considered but discounted will they then be considered to be wastes.

Our approach to resource management is based on good business practice and the following hierarchy:

- Prevention or minimisation of waste through design
- Maximisation of on-site recovery (reuse and recycling or treatment)
- Careful consideration of the options when there are materials surplus to a site's needs or a materials shortfall
- Minimisation of disposal of waste to landfill

We measure, monitor and report annually on progress on resource efficiency, and are committed to continual improvement in resource management. We are committed to compliance with legislation and industry standards as a minimum including Site Waste Management Plans that we produce for all UK developments. We have set up a responsibility agreement with our suppliers that communicates our priorities and seeks to increase resource efficiency in the supply chain by reducing waste through design, good site practice and minimisation of packaging materials. We will continue to train or inform our employees, contractors and suppliers about waste management and resource efficiency issues.

The Board of Taylor Wimpey plc will monitor the effectiveness of this Policy and will review the Policy on a regular basis and at least every two years.

Approved by		Chief Executive	Taylor Wimpey plc 24 January 2012
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