Invest Solution Northern Ireland Building Locally Competing Globally

## Foreword

Effective Environmental Management is a key priority for Invest Northern Ireland. It is important for public confidence and for the efficient and effective conduct of our organisation that we act responsibly in relation to the use of our natural resources including energy, waste and water.

This document brings together into a single source, the various policies, procedures and structures that have been put in place to minimise the impact on the environment by Invest Northern Ireland. It is important that all staff are familiar with and fully apply the policies and guidance set out within our Environmental Policy Statement.

This statement and its associated policies are fully endorsed by myself and the Executive Leadership at Invest Northern Ireland. Environmental Management is the responsibility of all staff and we are all obligated to miminise our Environmental Impact and ensure compliance with Environmental Legislation.

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## **INVEST NORTHERN IRELAND**

## **Environmental Policy Statement**

Invest Northern Ireland is the Regional Business Development Agency for Northern Ireland, creating opportunities to grow the local economy, by helping new and existing businesses compete Internationally and attracting new investment to Northern Ireland.

Operating across a number of sites worldwide, we recognise our operations and activities have an impact on our surroundings and are committed to leading the industry in minimising the impact of our activities on the environment.

Invest Northern Ireland is committed to operating an Environmental Management System and to encourage continual improvement, it is our intention that the organisation will seek to operate this in line with the requirements of ISO14001.

## Invest Northern Ireland is committed to:

- Reviewing and controlling the range of environmental impacts arising from our activities ٠
- Ensuring we recognise and comply with Environmental Legislation
- Identifying our significant Environmental Impacts
- Setting Environmental Objectives and Targets for activities with significant impact •
- Communicating progress in reducing Environmental Impact to Stakeholders
- Monitoring and improving the environmental impact of our business travel in a sustainable • manner and locally encourage walking, cycling and public transport incentive schemes
- Increasing biodiversity in Invest Northern Ireland owned land •
- ٠ Minimising energy, waste and water use through our waste, water and energy policy
- Purchasing energy and environmentally efficient equipment •
- Utilising ICT technologies to minimise environmental impacts where possible ٠

The Invest NI Executive Leadership Team is responsible and committed to implementing this policy and has provided adequate and appropriate resources, training and equipment to ensure it is communicated and implemented by all Invest NI staff members. Subcontractors will follow and implement this policy ensuring limited risk to the environment. Invest NI will review this policy annually, to ensure new legal and regulatory developments are incorporated and ensure the policy reflects best practice environmental performance.

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