



## **Environmental Policy Statement of Intent**

Merseytravel, comprising the Merseyside Integrated Transport Authority (ITA) and Passenger Transport Executive (PTE), is committed to the implementation of a single, integrated sustainable transport network for the city region that is accessible to everyone. The organisation issued its Environmental Sustainability Strategy in 2006 that sets out the policies to be adopted by all its business areas in support of this commitment.

Merseytravel has implemented an Environmental Management System (EMS), which was first certified to ISO14001 in June 2003. As part of this implementation, Merseytravel has undertaken an environmental review of its current activities and examined the impact on the environment of all sites and premises under its control. Through this system, Merseytravel understands the environmental implications of its day-to-day actions, allowing it to set appropriate objectives and targets as well as establishing the appropriate procedures for their measurement, audit and control. Merseytravel is achieving this by:

### **Continually improving environmental performance and controlling pollution from all its activities, products and services**

Environmental performance will be measured and monitored via procedures documented in the EMS and the EMS action plan.

### **Publishing an Environmental Sustainability Report on an annual basis**

This report will record progress the made towards the objectives and actions of the Environmental Sustainability Strategy, providing results of all environmental performance monitoring. Proposed action for key business areas will be developed as an outcome of this monitoring process.

### **Complying with all applicable current legislation, approved codes of practice and guidance pertinent to its activities**

Merseytravel aims to be innovative in its approach to the environment and where appropriate will adopt standards of design and operation in advance of any legal requirements.

### **Issuing specific statements, providing advice and develop plans to improve environmental performance**

These will address CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and energy efficiency, resource use, transport (encompassing our own fleet and staff travel), waste minimisation, construction and procurement (covering both goods and services).

### **Undertaking an environmental awareness raising programme**

This will encourage the commitment and involvement of employees to adhere to the requirements of the EMS and implement this policy.

### **Involving the wider community**

Merseytravel is committed to communicating with the wider community on relevant environmental issues. This policy and the key environmental issues arising from Merseytravel activities will be conveyed to suppliers, contractors, stakeholders and the wider community via published documentation and wider dissemination activity.

The Environmental Management System Monitoring Group is the steering group for all environmental matters pertinent to the organisation. This group will be responsible for agreeing action plans for all business areas as well as devising a programme of objectives and targets consistent with this policy and the EMS. This group will report to the PTE or the ITA's Environment Committee. The policy will be reviewed annually with the input of the experience gained through the implementation of the EMS.

**Signed: Neil Scales, Chief Executive & Director General**

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