



## What makes Eden so Sustainable?

For Eden, sustainability is a big subject. This is a short document to give interested parties a sense of what we are doing.

Sustainability encompasses our entire Management system. It is to do with how we interact with the people and organisations we engage with, the world's resources that we use in order to fulfil our business and the waste we produce in so doing. Chiefly our objective is to ensure that we deal with everyone, staff, suppliers, clients fairly and honestly and that we consider their economic and social needs in our relationship with them. Additionally that we minimise both our impact on the world's resources and any harmful waste we produce.

### How do we do that?

#### **WE HAVE MISSION & POLICY STATEMENTS**

Firstly we declare publicly our aspirations for sustainability in our Mission statement and we have a Policy Statement which covers in more detail our position and plans

#### **WE UNDERTAKE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT**

In order to ensure that we are doing as close to the right thing as possible we discuss the needs and wishes of our staff, clients, and suppliers before deciding what and how we will do things.

#### **KPIs (KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS)**

We have set over 30 targets relating to our sustainability objectives in the three key areas:

- Environment
- Social
- Economic

For Example in relation to our Environmental Objectives we have three main areas to work on

- Procurement
- Waste
- Energy Use

One of our procurement objectives is to achieve 85% of all our ingredients to be bred, grown or made in the UK. Currently we achieve 81%.

For energy use, we plan to reduce our electricity by 10% in absolute terms this year. Not easy when our business grew 25% last year.

#### **WE ACTIVELY PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY**

We believe that in order to be truly sustainable we must also promote sustainability with our partners. We are members of the Sustainable Events Group and exhibit at trade shows under a Sustainability banner. We have also been given a stall at the Prince's Climate Change Market place in May. This is an opportunity for organisations to exhibit initiatives they have taken to help climate change or reduce carbon emissions.

#### **BS8901**

We aim to be certified in the British Standard for Sustainable Event Management BS8901 by August 2009. We will be one of the first organisations to be formally certified.

Our Environmental KPIs and Sustainability Policy Statement are published on our website.

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