

The United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) was launched in 2000 to harness the power of collective action in the promotion of responsible corporate citizenship. The Compact is a framework for businesses that are committed to aligning their operations and strategies with the ten universally accepted principles in the areas of human rights, labour, the environment and anti-corruption.



As the world's largest global corporate citizenship initiative, the Global Compact is concerned with demonstrating and building the social legitimacy of business and markets. Marshalls plc became a signatory of the UNGC in January 2009 and a member of the UK Network later the same year.

The Global Compact is a purely voluntary initiative with two objectives:

- 1 To mainstream the ten principles in business activities around the world;
- 2 To catalyse action in support of broader UN objectives, such as the Sustainable Development Goals.

The UNGC is not a regulatory instrument, but rather a voluntary initiative that relies on public accountability, transparency and disclosure to complement regulation and to provide a space for innovation and collective action.

This is the Company's ninth Communication on Progress and outlines how Marshalls is aligned with the ten principles and how, throughout 2018, the plc intends to develop its activities in support of the framework laid out by the UNGC.

### **UNGC Ten Principles**

### Human Rights

Principle 1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights;

Principle 2: Make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.

### Labour

Principle 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;

Principle 4: The elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory

Principle 5: The effective abolition of child labour;

Principle 6: The elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.

### Environment

support a precautionary approach

Principle 8: Undertake initiatives responsibility; and

Principle 9: Encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly

### Anti-Corruption

Principle 10: Businesses should work against all forms of

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## Statement of Support for the UNGC Martyn Coffey, Marshalls CEO

To paraphrase Ms. Lise Kingo, CEO & Executive Director of UNGC\*, leading CEOs and investors finally seem to realise that sustainable business depends on a sustainable world, that there is no sharp line between the moral imperative and the business one.

I read Ms. Kingo's recent article with interest and agree with her that the biggest and most sustainable opportunities are most likely to be found outside of the quick wins, but that the well-trodden path of least resistance may prevent the business community from contributing to the creation of the more just and equitable world we all want, and frankly need in order to continue doing business.

Being a long-term and committed UNGC signatory helps in very practical ways to guide our approach and day-to-day behaviours to help ensure that as we continue to strive to be a profitable business we remain alert to our responsibilities and open to the opportunities which allow us to make our contributions, however large or small, towards achieving the SDGs(1)

The SDGs are essentially a human rights-based agenda; from Decent Work to Gender Equality and Clean Water and Sanitation — all are directly related to human rights, all are interconnected. Human rights plays an increasingly important role in our own business to help guide our decision – from product research and development to procurement & supply chains, human resources and beyond - and to help ensure that we do not unwittingly undermine our own efforts to contribute to the SDGs.

Human rights for us is not about compliance or risk mitigation but about building strong and fair business strategies which help us achieve our core mission of 'Creating Better Spaces' for everyone. Human rights is proving to be a platform for business innovation, galvanising collective action, moral fortitude, meaningful collaboration with new partners and long term sustainability; making sure we're a company that young people want to work for, investors want to invest in and Governments want to partner with.

We remain empowered by our brand values of leadership, excellence, trust and sustainability. I see day-in-day-out Marshalls' team working passionately and diligently to uphold the UNGC pillars of human rights, labour, environment & anti-corruption. We are continuing to leverage sustainability to drive competitive advantage for our business but by absolutely doing the right thing.

This out 9th UNGC Communication on Progress sits alongside our Annual Report as the main vehicle for sharing our sustainability progress. Read on and judge for yourself the depth of our actions which I believe clearly demonstrate that sustainability remains at the heart of all that we do.



Martyn Coffey, Marshalls CEO **Driving Business Growth** Through Sustainability

\*https://www.unglobalcompact.org/ news/4375-03-09-2018 (1) UNGC Sustainable Development Goals https://www.unglobalcompact.org/sdgs

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### Statement, Chris Harrop Marshalls' Group Marketing Director, (Responsible for Sustainability)

Although my tenure as Global Compact UK Chair ended over a year ago I have remained a Director of the UK Network and involved in network activities. This Local Network activity is of key importance in advancing corporate sustainability at its grassroots. The practical application of UNGC principles through the detailed work undertaken by various working groups helps companies understand what being a sustainable business means in practice; what the challenges are, what best practice looks like, sharing successes and those things that did not yield what we had hoped, how collaboration can often drive progress, how business can use the principles to drive innovation and at the same time make a contribution towards the sustainable development goals. All of this and more is delivered by Global Compact UK and I thank the secretariat for its engaging programme of activities throughout 2017.

The Ten UNGC Principles together with the UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights provides Marshalls with its human rights framework allowing us to assess and consider the full range of our impacts, both positive and negative. Ms Lise Kingo, CEO and Executive Director of UNGC, advocates four main ways the private sector can help to ensure that human rights is woven throughout business\*; (1) break down silos between your core business strategy and your sustainability strategy, (2) assess your human rights impact and put that at the centre of your strategy to advance the global goals, (3) use the ten UNGC principles as a checklist for global goal strategizing, and (4) advocate for a global principles-based movement.

I agree that strategies and policies when enacted in practices and felt by employees, customers, partners and stakeholder are extremely powerful; when we see the bigger picture through our human rights activity we can remedy and understand missed opportunities; when we use the UNGC principles as a critical framework we are encouraged to think in new and different way; when we communicate a principle-based approach with our entire value chain and our customers we seek to build further good business practices both within our own organisation and in the wider global community. We understand that the UNGC principles are not a destination but a critical framework to which we return over and over in order to ensure our own sustainability as a business and to be part of a movement focused upon achieving the global sustainable development goals.



Chris Harrop, Marshalls' Group Marketing Director, (Responsible for Sustainability), Global Compact UK Director, ETI Non-**Executive Director** 

\* https://www.unglobalcompact.org/ news/4375-03-09-2018

"Transformative change is needed across the Global Goals. Business can help make a transformative difference in society by driving the expectation of respect and dignity for all people into strategies, operations and value chains. It takes leadership, innovation and collaboration to tackle these issues. It will not happen without the full and committed engagement of business. Success requires the lateral thinking, novel forms of partnerships and hybrid organizations that the private sector can bring. And a principles-based approach is essential for the rebuilding of trust between societies and businesses — the essential ingredient for both to flourish sustainably."

Lise Kingo, CEO & Executive Director, UN Global Compact

## Foreword



Regular readers of our COP's will be very familiar with our sustainability model which incorporates our membership of the UNGC and FTSE4GOOD, and our continued commitment to Integrated Management Systems.

The three pillars of sustainability; economic, environmental and social continue to provide the focus for our activity. Underpinned by the UNGC principles regarding the environment, labour, human rights and anticorruption.

Marshalls remains absolutely focused on being a successful and profitable business whilst minimising our impact on the environment, looking after the people and communities, striving to be innovative and to respond to market challenges and opportunities and to taking the lead in our sector.

Our purpose as a business is to 'Create Better Spaces' for all of our customers. We do this 'The Marshalls Way' by ensuring that we live our shared values of leadership, excellence, trust and sustainability. These are the values that our business is built on.

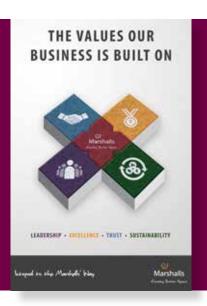
### The Values Our Business is Built On

**LEADERSHIP** is not just about being a manager. It means that we should all set the standards that others aspire to, no matter what our role is within the business. We should all take responsibility for our actions and try to set a good example every single day.

**EXCELLENCE** means that we must always strive to be the best we can be. We must be ambitious and demand high performance from ourselves as well as others. We must also be innovative and constantly seek to improve our performance. It's essential that we always make good our commitments and have pride and passion in everything that we do.

TRUST means that we are open, honest, fair and consistent. We must always follow through on our promises, respect others' talents and treat each other fairly whilst always acting with integrity.

**SUSTAINABILITY** means that we are committed to doing the right thing for the long-term good of our business, for society and for the environment. This means that we must always do the right thing and consider the impact on our business and of our decisions and actions.



### Employees throughout the business continue to be actively involved:



Abigail Brown Mineral Products Marketing Managel



Richard Capper, Energy Enaineer



Tom Poole HR Director



Helen Taverner Group Systems Auditor



Mike Plaster Commercial Marketing Communications





Pete Stevens, Group Carbon & Energy Manager



Group Head of



Matthew Gibb. Group Environment & Water Manage



John Davis, Health, Safety 8 Environmenta Director



Elaine Mitchel-Hill. Business & Human Riahts Lead.



Rory Kendrick, Natural Stone Sourcing



Chris Frankland. Head of International Marketina/Export

Kendrick.



Andrew Stalker, Commercial Marketing



Richard Beale. Procurement Director



Claire Blake Head of Domestic Product Management.





Steve Swanwick. Group Systems Manaaer



Sophie Rowe, PR Executive



Nicole Bennett, Product Managei Commercial Pavina.



Chris Griffith, SuDs and CBP Manaaer.



Alice Couldwell, NPD Programme Manager

These employees work alongside those with special responsibilities including; Group Procurement Director, Richard Beale, Group Human Resources Director, Tom Poole and Business & Human Rights Lead, Elaine Mitchel-Hill, Group Head of Sustainability, David Morrell and Natural Stone Director, Rory

Marshalls' progress is monitored thoroughly and on an ongoing basis against both internal and external measures. As a matter of course Marshalls seeks verification from third party organisations which include non-governmental organisations and independent auditors; The Carbon Trust, BSI, Wild Life Trust, ETI, BITC & BRE. We also engage with third sector organisations as 'critical friends' in order that

we get full and frank feedback on a range of issues especially in relation to our human rights programme and our work on modern slavery and transparency in the supply chain.

We're excited to report that Marshalls is the first organisation globally to have acheived BRE Global Ethical Labour Sourcing Standard Verification 6002.

Our Human Rights Programme has developed steadily since 2010 and now includes human rights impact assessments, Children's Rights & Business Principles implementation, working towards becoming signatories of the Women's Empowerment Principles as well as quarterly human rights briefings. In addition we continue to work

closely with Indira Saxena regarding social issues in India and Sterling Smith of Just Solutions Ltd.

We are especially delighted to confirm that Marshalls has again retained its Superbrand status for the eighth year running. This is a testament to the dedication and passion of everyone within the business and a feat which we are extremely proud.

In this our ninth Communication on Progress we share with you the efforts that we have made to uphold the UNGC principles during 2017 and our enduring commitment to these principles as we move forward throughout 2018.

## Focus for 2018

### Business and Human Rights – Modern Slavery Disclosure Statement Implementation: UK & Overseas

In May 2017 Marshalls published it second Modern Slavery its supply chains or in any part of its own business operations.

Together with our anti-slavery partner, Hope for Justice, we have made good progress in terms of our preventative Vietnam and India and will also look to extend this to Turkey & disclosure statement in 2018 sharing full details regarding our progress against key performance indicators, and to publishing



Modern Slavery Act

"The Modern Slavery Act requires all businesses with a turnover of £36 million or more and which provide goods and services in the UK to produce an annual statement explaining what they are doing to tackle modern slavery and human trafficking within their business. This is important work: UK businesses can use their buying power to drive responsible employment practices down through their supply chains, improving working conditions on a global scale.

However, corporate response to this requirement has been patchy at best. While some companies are showing leadership, others are producing generic statements with little substantive detail or failing to produce them at all. In 2017, 43 of the FTSE 100 failed to be compliant with the basic requirements of this legislation. It is unacceptable that such a large proportion of the biggest businesses in the UK are turning a blind eye to modern slavery and British law."

Kevin Hyland, Anti-Slavery Commissioner

### Modern Slavery KPIs for 2017/18

We've develop clear KPIs which sits behind each of our focus areas regarding the eradication of modern slavery. We will report on progress against these KPIs in our next Modern Slavery



Deliver an internal awareness campaign throughout UK operations to all employees regarding modern slavery.

- Ensure that 100% employees are exposed to modern slavery awareness raising; how to spot the signs; how to report it; Marshalls
- modern slavery awareness.
  Increase the number of Modern Slavery Ambassadors within the



Modern Slavery Training for all employees involved directly in supply chains and

Ensure that all 350 employees directly involved in supply chain management receive ongoing updates and notifications regarding business & human rights, and specifically modern slavery.



Supplier communication and verification programme which confirms that suppliers have received and understood



Report on our effectiveness in helping to ensure that slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in our business or supply chains including the due diligence process outlined in Marshalls Modern Slavery & Anti Trafficking Policy & Statement.

- Number of pieces of intelligence shared with law enforcement, Gangmasters Labour Abuse Authority, Hope for Justice.
- Number of instances of modern slavery identified as a result of intelligence shared with law enforcement, Gangmasters Labour Abuse
- Number of effective partnerships & collaborations with the sole aim of preventing modern slavery in our business operations and supply chains



Further development of the organisations supply chain due diligence, related human rights programme, external ethical auditing and modern slavery risk mapping processes in order that instances of modern slavery can be identified, remedial action undertaken, and the victims supported and that all of this is transparently reported.



## Anti-Trafficking & Modern Slavery Network Engagement in the UK

commitment to the prevention of modern slavery. The network currently provides a strategic in West Yorkshire who contribute to tackling human trafficking and modern slavery in all its forms but is exploring how businesses can engage in support of the Independent Anti-Slavery

Marshalls is also a member of the Greater Manchester Business Network on Modern Slavery. UNGC Modern Slavery Working Group, the ETI Working Group on Modern Slavery and sits on the APPG for Modern Slavery & Sport, including Construction. We remain in contact with the overseas. We are also engaged in work with UK Government on the issues of modern slavery.

### Ethical Trading Initiative – Marshalls Strategic Plan to 2020

within Marshalls annual Communication of Progress Report which is published annually in April

business & human rights programme and the commitments made in the organisations Modern Slavery Disclosure Statement. They honour Marshalls' commitment to ETI Base Code will ultimately further embed and integrate ethical trade into business activities and decision



worldwide

### Children's Rights & Business Principles & International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour

During 2018 we will complete our third Children's Rights & Business Principles Audit which will help us to assess our progress and identify the priorities for the coming two years. We will do this in conjunction with key partners and NGO's in the locations where we operate.

Marshalls also remains a committed member of the International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC) Child Labour Platform. The rights of children and the elimination of child labour in the sandstone sector still remains a key driver for us and we are exploring with other IPEC Child Labour Platform members how we can collaborate for greater traction specifically in India.

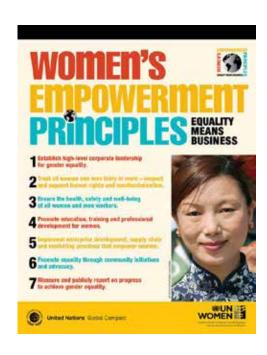




### Diversity, UN Women Engagement & Women's Empowerment Principles Framework

We have delivered on our commit to undertake an audit of our business against the Women's Empowerment Principles. We have benchmarked Marshalls and undertaken a gap analysis and we know how we must proceed. We understand that women have a critical role to play in all of the sustainable development goals, with many targets specifically recognizing women's equality and empowerment as both the objective, and as part of the solution - Goal 5 is known as the standalone gender goal because it is dedicated to achieving these ends.

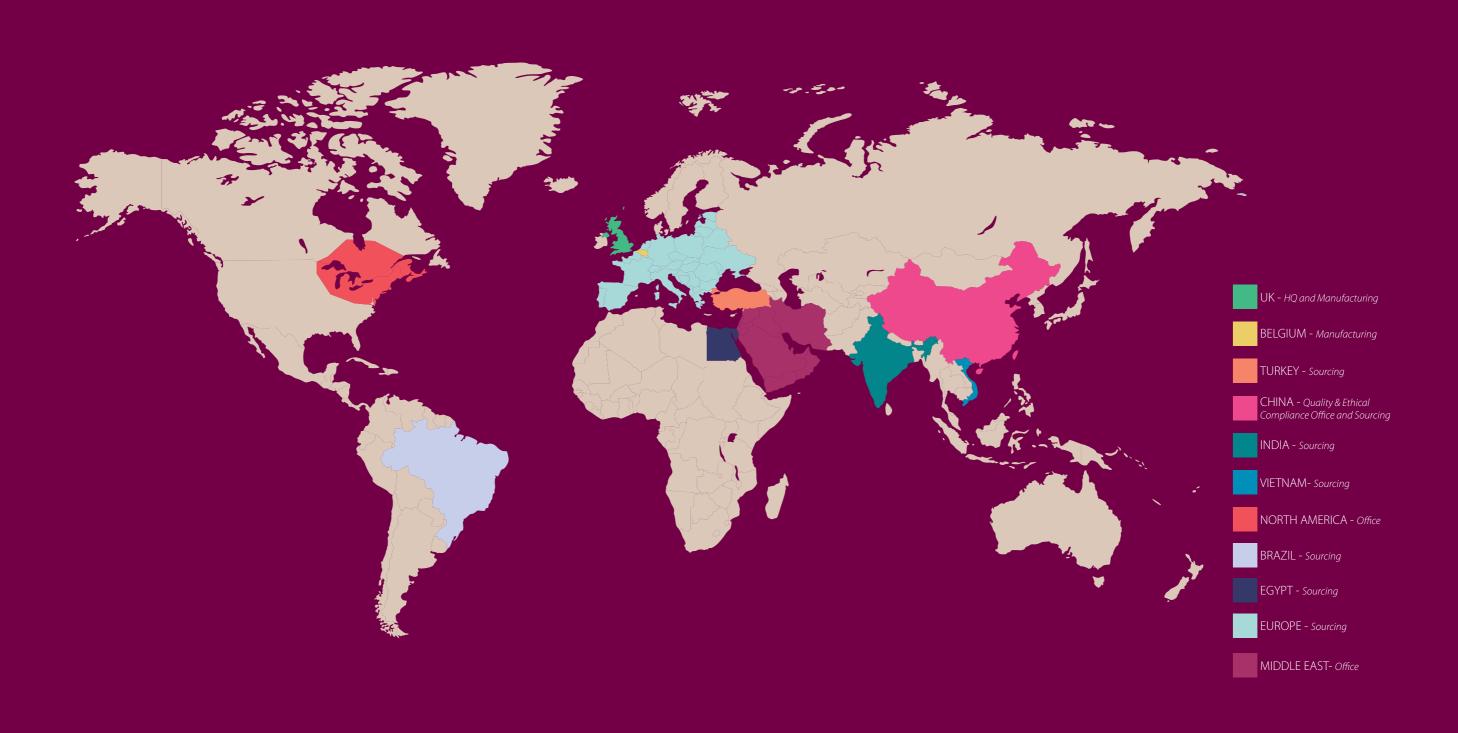




Please enjoy reading on and finding out more about how sustainability is helping to build competitive advantage for our business and allowing us to make our contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals.

Chris Harrop Group Marketing Director Responsible for Sustainability Marshalls plc

# Scope of Operations



## Achievement Indicators



Collaborating & Sharing Best Practice Delivering Best Practice Achieving Good Results Reviewing Feedback & Developing Piloting New Initiatives Legal Compliance

Throughout this and all other Marshalls Communications on Progress you will find a self assessment indicator which represents what Marshalls believes it is achieving in relation to each of the principles. Marshalls will strive to improve its achievements year-on-year.

Marshalls initially developed its own indicators for its COP reporting rather than use an existing one, such as the Ethos Indicators and Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) methodology.

Each indicator is broken down in percentage terms, which allows any progress made to be identified by all readers of this report with ease. It is also intended to make any year-onyear comparisons clear, uncomplicated and informative.

Marshalls constantly monitors best practice in its sector, as well as in the field of corporate responsibility and sustainability reporting. Any informative developments and advancements in this area will be introduced into subsequent COP reports.

## Third Party Assurances

Once this report is submitted to it will be volunteered for peergroup of corporate members and observers of the UK Network of the UNGC. Any suggested changes will be made and the report will be re-submitted, if required, to the UNGC following the peer review

COP process by inviting feedback of its COP by inviting employees,

Marshalls looks forward to

Please direct any feedback elaine.mitchel-hill@marshalls.co.uk

### The Marshalls Brand Manifesto.

We are all influenced by our environments and the better our environment the better we can be.

Marshalls believe that we all need places that make us feel safer, happier and more sociable. Places to be ourselves, where we can live, play, create and grow. That belief drives us to be the best we can be. To design and produce new products which are better than anything else available. To make them from the best materials we can source and to care about the impact that our company and its products have on our society.

Above all, our belief fuels the passion on which Marshalls is built.

To architects, town planners, civil engineers, builders merchants, paving installers and home owners, we pledge a passion to bring to life all that you can imagine. A passion that will enable you to breathe new life into those corners of the landscape where potential lies unfulfilled and unchallenged.

Our passion pervades everything we do. We use our expertise to create integrated landscapes which promote wellbeing to the benefit of everyone. So, whether it's through fairly traded stone, providing products which alleviate flood risks, enabling our business partners to share in our success or creating innovative street furniture that protects us from attack, we proudly strive to make our world a better place. One stone, patio, pavement, town square or car park at a time.

## Marshalls Imagine Better



## Marshalls The Superbrand

Marshalls is proud to have retained its Superbrand status. Published annually since 1995, the Superbrands Annual documents some of the strongest consumer and businessto-business brands in Britain today. The book establishes how Superbrands manage to achieve outstanding success.

For clarity it is worth stating that brands cannot apply or pay to be considered for Superbrand status. Only following a rigorous and independent selection process is the accolade awarded on an annual basis.

The 2018 Superbrand book provides insights into Marshalls' branding strategy and business success. Further information can be found at www.superbrand.uk.com

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### Creating Better Spaces

Marshalls is the UK's leading manufacturer of hard landscaping products, and has been supplying superior natural stone and innovative concrete products to the construction, home improvement and landscape markets since the 1890s. Marshalls strives to create products that improve landscapes and create better environments to develop happier and healthier communities.

them from the best materials it can source. Over the years, Marshalls has continued to develop and expand its products and services to both the commercial and domestic markets.

Market
In the public sector and commercial markets,
Marshalls focuses on developing products that
help architects, local authorities and contractors
to make better spaces, whether it is landscape
furniture, natural stone paving, stone cladding
and facades, block paving, water management,
or landscape protection products.

Marshalls' domestic customers range from homeowners to professional landscapers, driveway installers and garden designers. Sales continue to be driven through the Marshalls Register of Accredited Landscapers and Driveway Installers.

presence in the Middle East, Northern Europe, North America, and China.

Marshalls is committed to producing new products that better any existing market offering, and to make



In the public sector and commercial market, Marshalls satisfies the needs of a diverse commercial customer base, which spans local authorities, commercial architects, specifiers, contractors and house builders. It offers them unrivalled technical expertise, manufacturing capability and an enviable product range, including superior natural stone, innovative concrete hard landscaping products, water management solutions, rail products, landscape protection products, landscape furniture, and natural stone cladding as well as facades.

### OVER 14.5 MILLION VIDEOS HAVE BEEN VIEWED

driveway installers and garden designers, and Marshalls specialises in helping them to create beautiful, yet practical outdoor spaces that families can epily of roy tanges to come. Marshalls extensive product ranges are designed to inspire, combining quality, elegance and durability in both traditional and cutting-edge designs, with products to suit every taste and style.

to Marshalls for many years. Indeed, by 2009 more than 2,000 of Marshalls' commercial products had a Carbon Trust Carbon Reduction label. Sustainability remains at the heart of everything Marshalls does, and the company remains at the forefront of sustainable business. As the first company in its sector to belong to the Ethical Trading Initiative

(ETI), Marshalls is committed to the implementation of the ETI Base Code, pioneering the ethical sourcing of natural stone paving from India and China, and has remained a signatory of the United Natiors Global Compact since its acceptance in 2009. Marshalls was first awarded The Fair Tax Mark in 2015 and has now been accredited with the mark for three consecutive years, and also as a Limp Wage Employer in recognition of the business' commitment to transparent tax processes and responsible pay respectively.

Recent Developments
Following on from a successful charity partnershi with Prostate Cancer in 2016, Marshalls chose Mind as its corporate partner charity for 2017. Marshalls was committed to fundraising for this worthy cause throughout 2017 via various different events, initiatives and challenges.

In 2016 Marshalls published its Modern Slavery Statement, furthering its commitment to corporate social responsibility and 2017 sav Marshalls partner with anti-slavery organisation Hope for Justice. Marshalls is taking huge steps in order to identify and endicate slavery from its supply chains, and in recognition of this, the company was shortlisted for the 2017 Thompson Reuters Foundation Stop Slavery Award. Additionally, Marshalls was the first organisation to achieve the BRE Global Ethical Labour Sourcing Standard Verification (RES 6002).

ruthermore, marshalls lauriched a range of artificial grass as a new addition to its domestic product range. Three types of grass are available which compliment an already extensive range of landscaping products.

Finally, 2017 saw Marshalls join the Made in Britain movement – a not-for-profit organisation that aims to unite all British manufacturers and promote British manufacturing. Marshalls Group Marketing Director, Chris Harrop, is also Chairman of the organisation.

### Promotion

Promotion
Across the group of businesses, Marshalls continues to invest heavily in communications. The 2017 domestic advertising campaign, Not all driveways patios are created equal, was used to promote the business' landscape products to trade and consumer audiences.

The commercial business focused on highlighting the ethical risk of specifying natural stone products, and ran an integrated campaign for the newly launched Ethical Risk Index, which aims to highlight potential issues when it comes to stone sourcing

in a number of well-known countries.
The Ethical Risk Index (ERI) uses a bespoke, independently audited scoring framework and gives a genuine insight into the ethical challenges facing stone procurers to allow for more informed decision-making.

Alongside this, the commercial business also launched a Housebuilder product package that contains a complimentary suite of products that have all been designed with housebuildiers in mind. The package ensures that all products supplied are cohesive and provide an attractive aesthetic on any housing scheme.

the way in thought leadership, and has been featured on a number of BBC news programmes discussing the importance of Landscape Protection products in light of recent terror attacks, and how they ca or recent terror attacks, and how they can be attractively integrated into landscapes without compromising on a design's aesthetic or affecting pedestrian movement and interaction.

Brand Values
Marshalls' shared values of Leadership,
Excellence, Trust and Sustainability underpin
the company and are important to the
continued success of the business.

for every landscape architect, contractor, installer and consumer, and for the brand to remain synonymous with quality, innovation and superior customer service.

### **Brand History**

1964 Marshalls becomes a plc, wi

1972 New product development : introduction of block paving famous 'Beany Block' that o drain and kerb.

2011 Marshalls announces a Euro venture, Marshalls NV.

2017 Marshalls acquires precast c



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## Future Spaces: The Changing Face of the Spaces We Share

Marshalls believes in creating better spaces – and as the UK's leading landscape materials brand, we believe that it's important to think ahead. Future Spaces is our ambitious attempt to foresee how the commercial, public and domestic spaces we help design, build and share might adapt and evolve over the next ten years. We set out to predict how changing lifestyles, technology and economic conditions might dictate the look, feel, colour, shape, textures and materials used to create those spaces. But once we dug below the surface we found much more. Four unstoppable global megatrends driving 12 emerging themes: pervasive forces that will change the nature of our built environment, both subtly and dramatically. Future Spaces is the result of our own intensive research, including interviews with academics, industry commentators, journalists, architects, landscape designers, materials technologists, engineers, futurologists – as broad a spectrum of opinions, ideas and experience as we could find. Here, we're delighted to share a brief glimpse of what we might expect as the future rushes towards us at an ever-increasing pace. Our full findings are published in 'Future Spaces', a limited edition book that not only reveals how the spaces we share will be designed, but also how they will be owned, governed, managed, occupied, humanised and monetised. If you are intrigued by this short introduction to our Future Spaces project, and you're keen to find out more, visit marshalls.co.uk/futurespaces.



## THE BLURRING OF PUBLIC/PRIVATE **SPACES**

www.marshalls.co.uk/futurespaces/public-private



## MORE PEOPLE IN SMALLER SPACES

www.marshalls.co.uk/futurespaces/smaller-spaces



# DEMARCATING MULTI-USE SPACES

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## THE NEW WAVE OF WATER MANAGEMENT

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# FUTURE CONCRETE

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# THE BLOSSOMING OF BIOPHILIC DESIGN

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### **URBAN GREENING**

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# THE RISE OF THE SUPER -LANDLORD

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## THE GENDER -NEUTRALISATION OF SOCIETY

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# PLACE MAKING FOR THE PEOPLE

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# BUILDING - IN RESILIENCE

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# THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY

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## Product Innovation: Marshalls Counter Terror Solutions

The threat of terrorists targeting crowded public places provides urban planners and designers with a new and complex challenge. The need to create safe spaces offers those responsible for their design and protection a difficult compromise between maintaining the open, liveable nature of the public realm and the necessity for security especially in those cities that have built global reputations on their aesthetic attraction. This dichotomy - and our attempt to address the issue thus far - does raise a fundamental question about how the inclusion of effective security will change the nature of the urban spaces we share.

In her study 'Invisible Security: The impact of counterterrorism on the built environment' Rachel Briggs writes: "It has been argued that 'security' has

become he justification for measures that threaten the core of urban social and political life - from the physical barricading of space to the social barricading of democratic activity - that rising levels of security in cities will reduce the public use of public space".\*

And we'd agree: what societal purpose would a fortified public space serve if it made the public feel more fearful and less social?

As terrorists have re-thought their tactics, we considered it important to re-think the way in which cities protect themselves from the growing threat of vehicular attack.

How can security be more subtly integrated in the design of our public spaces? Unobtrusive, unthreatening effectively hiding in plain sight.

That's a subtle, but vital observation: that it's really the people within our urban landscapes that require protection, not merely the architecture and the infrastructure.

And we placed that at the heart of our new approach to creating safer urban spaces.

\* 'Invisible Security: The impact of counterterrorism on the built environment' - Rachel Briggs - 2005

"Achieving a positive relationship between counterterrorism and the built environment will rest on our ability to find ways of bringing together those who design spaces with those who secure them and those who use them, to explore new urban forms which can deliver people-centred counter-terrorism."



## Ethical Risk Index

The Marshalls Ethical Risk Index (ERI) is the next step on the journey toward full supply chain transparency in the Natural Stone sector. Using a bespoke, independently reviewed scoring framework, customers are given a genuine insight into the multi-dimensional ethical challenges facing stone procurers; with the aim of apprising users of potential issues and with a clear rating system to allow for more informed decision making.



### OBJECTIVES OF THE FTHICAL RISK INDEX

To distill the main frameworks driving ethical sourcing practice into a single bespoke framework, designed and tailored towards the challenges and issues specifically facing the imported stone industry. This includes the requirements of international law, the UN Global Compact principles, the Ethical Trading Initiative base code, and compliance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015.

To drive customer and stakeholder awareness of relative levels of ethical risk in stone supply; providing them with a more quantifiable view by scoring supply chains against key measures of ethical risk.

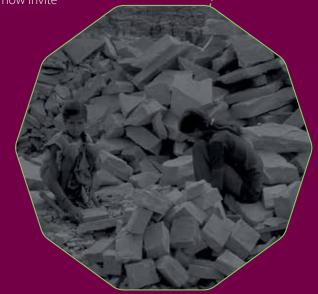
To better empower informed customer product selection by more clearly embedding ethical procurement considerations into the design and specification

To provide a benchmark for measuring improvements in standards going forward.

Marshalls lead the industry in ethical sourcing best practice and now invite stakeholders to learn more about the specific issues, risks and opportunities

facing procurement in this area.

https://www.marshalls.co.uk/commercial/ethical-risk-index-fornatural-stone-products



## Intelligent Street Furniture

### LOCI Intelligent Bollard

The Intelligent Bollard is designed to recognise users via a pocket-sized tag loaded with information on their specific needs. When a user approaches, the M-LIVE technology in the bollard provides clear, audible information on their current location and the nearest crossing point or point of interest transforming the way they move around the city.

### John Welsman Policy Business Partner, Transport & Travel, Guide Dogs

"The technology can do so many different things in terms of providing information for me based on my needs as a blind or partially sighted person. It can give me a subtly different experience of the environment than it might do to someone who's deaf or for someone for whom English is not their first language."

### Steve Tyler Head of Solutions, Strategy and Planning, RNIB

"A dream of mine, and I'd say most blind and partially sighted people is that I can travel independently and feel safe wherever I'm travelling. For Marshalls to be taking this seriously is phenomenal to me."





## Natural Elements

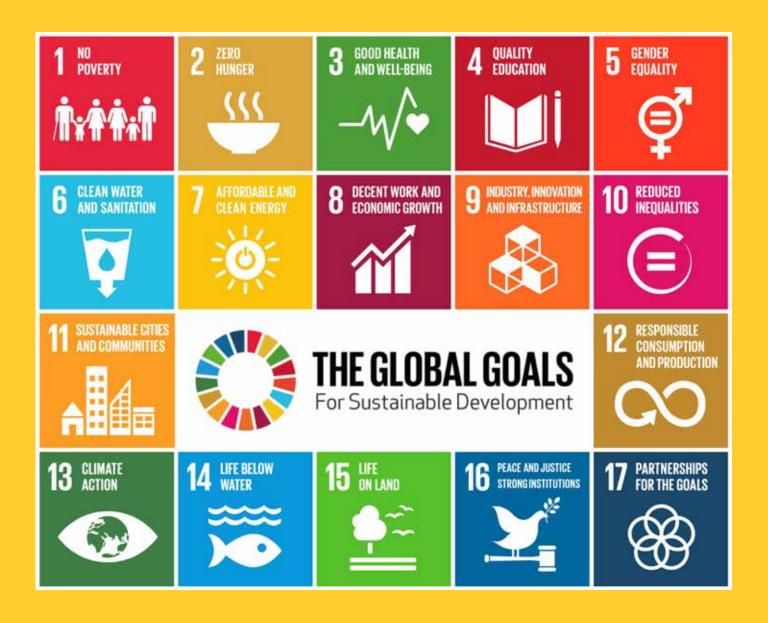
The natural elements range, inspired by biophilic design, is a modular based street furniture range that aims to introduce natural materials into urban spaces where people can sit and wellbeing is improved. The form and design style of the modular range resembles patterns found in the natural environment and the timber – FSC® certified – is responsibly sourced from well managed sources. The steel elements that help combine the modules are laser cut with a natural cell like pattern to create a striking effect.





## Sustainable Development Goals & How Marshalls is Contributing

The Sustainable Development Goals build are unique in that they call for action by all countries, poor, rich and middle-income to promote prosperity while protecting the planet. They recognize that ending poverty must go hand-in-hand with strategies that build economic growth and addresses a range of social needs including education, health, social protection, and job opportunities, while tackling climate change and environmental protection.



## How Marshalls is Contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals

By being a UNGC signatory Marshalls is already contributing to the implementation of the SDGs. The UN Global Compact together with UN partners hosts a number of global issue platforms many of which Marshalls is involved in; the CEO Water Mandate, the Women's Empowerment Principles, Children's Rights & Business Principles and Business for Peace.

SDG1	Living Wage, Elimination of Child Labour, Elimination and Prevention of Modern Slavery.
SDG2	Living Wage, Global Living Wage Alliance Benchmarking Engagement, ETI Base Code Implementation.
SDG3	UK Employee Wellbeing Programme, Mind Charity of the Year Support.
SDG4	Children's Rights & Business Principles Top 10 Priorities Implementation, UN Women Women's Empowerment Principles Engagement, Business in the Community Business Class Engagement.
SDG5	UN Women Women's Empowerment Principles Engagement, Marshalls Women 'Step it Up' Network.
SDG6	UN CEO Water Mandate, Priora Product Innovation, New Product Research & Development Programme, Marshalls Operations Water Management Programme.
SDG7	Marshalls use of solar power within its own business operations, product innovation in embedding solar technology discretely into the fabric of structures and buildings.
SDG8	Fair Tax Mark, Ethical & Sustainable Supplier Code of Conduct, Apprentice Training Programme, Living Wage, UN Women Women's Empowerment Principles Engagement.
SDG9	New Product Research & Development Programme, New Product Innovation such as; Solar Technology Embedded Products, Anti-Terrorist Street Furniture, M-Live Technology Embedded Products.
SDG10	ETI Base Code Implementation, UN Women Women's Empowerment Principles Engagement, Children's Rights & Business Principles Top 10 Priorities Implementation, Fair Tax Mark, Living Wage Accreditation, Ethical & Sustainable Procurement Supplier Code of Conduct.
SDG11	Future Spaces Research, New Product Development, eg. M-Live, ETI Base Code Implementation.
SDG12	Ethical & Sustainable Procurement Supplier Code of Conduct, Fairstone, Product Carbon Footprint, ETI Base Code Implementation.
SDG13	Product Carbon Footprints, Marshalls Environmental KPIs, New Product Research, Development & Innovation Programme.
SDG14	Water quality improvement from permeable paving sub bases preventing river pollution preventing sea pollution, ask Chris G
SDG15	FSC Policy, Product Innovation; Bioverse, Grassguard.
SDG16	Fair Tax, Anti-Bribery & Corruption Policy & Training, Modern Slavery Act Implementation & Engagement.
SDG17	Fairtax Accreditation, UNICEF Research, IPEC Engagement, UNGC, UN Women Women's Empowerment Principles Engagement.

Marshalls solar bus shelter design is an example of how solar technology can be discretely embedded into the fabric of structures and buildings, representing a convenient and attractive means of reducing carbon footprints in urban environments. The solar bus shelter is capable of generating more than 2000kW hours per year, enough electricity to power the average London home - so adoption of this exciting technology can make a significant contribution to London's sustainable future.

### SDG 8: Focus on the Fair Tax Mark

The Fair Tax Mark is the label for good taxpayers. Wherever you see the Fair Tax Mark you can be sure that a company is open and transparent about its tax affairs and seeks to pay the right amount of corporation tax at the right time in the right place. It sets a new standards in responsible tax practice.

### SDG11 - Focus on Sustainable Cities and Communities

Marshalls has developed 'M-LIVE' a new technology that enables ordinary street furniture products to connect with a personal Bluetooth tag, carried by a pedestrian. The tag can be programmed by an individual user via an online portal or app to enable the furniture to respond to their needs. This means that bollards can let a blind person know when they have reached a certain shop, monoliths can speak in a foreign language to guide tourists or street lighting can get brighter on approach for the elderly. http://www. marshalls.co.uk/commercial/streetfurniture/intelligent

Chris Harrop, Group Marketing Director, says, "The introduction of this technology can ultimately revolutionise a person's experience of the built environment, opening up places and spaces which may have previously been either difficult for disabled people to navigate, or areas which have felt unsafe perhaps to women or to others in general. We are actively seeking collaborations and partnership so that we can transform towns and cities for the benefit of all."

## No Place for Modern Slavery

Martyn Coffey, CEO, Marshalls plc.

We are working hard to make Marshalls business operations and supply chains worldwide as toxic as possible to the organised criminals who seek to exploit vulnerable individuals and corporations.

Our message to them is that there is simply no place for modern slavery in Marshalls' business operations and supply chains. We are engaged, well informed, well connected and unafraid to transparently report and share what we find. We're committed to knowing all that we can about where there are risks and to taking appropriate action.

We are wholly supportive of the Anti-Slavery Commissioners priority, 'to engage with the private sector to promote policies to ensure that supply chains are free from slavery and to encourage effectual transparency reporting'.

We understand that businesses have a role to play, together with law enforcement agencies and others, to drive traffickers into plain sight by using all of the avenues and leverage at our disposal, both upstream and down-stream as well as within our own business operations.

From a business perspective human rights regulation is on an upward trajectory and the issue of slavery will, quite rightly, remain firmly in the spotlight. Those organisations still not fully engaging with the issues of modern slavery and only doing the minimum in terms of risk mitigation are not only putting human lives at risk but are also missing out on the opportunity to use ethical business and a sustainable approach to drive competitive advantage.

The moral perspective is clear: modern slavery is simply wrong.

Martyn Coffey, CEO, Marshalls plc.

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### Much More Still To Do

Chris Harrop, Group Marketing Director, Responsible for Sustainability, Marshalls plc

It is a stark and sickening reality that organised criminals around the globe are profiting from the exploitation of human beings and that human traffickers regard people as commodities; items that can be exploited and traded for profit. It is an illicit business that transcends cultural, social, linguistic and geographical boundaries and one that knows no borders and no rules; men, women and children are used as products for sexual or labour-based exploitation.

Human trafficking, for labour and for sex, is one of the fastest-growing transnational organised crime markets.\* Human trafficking is also playing a growing role in terrorist and insurgent activities and groups.\*

Twenty-one million men, women, and children around the world are currently thought to be victims of human trafficking, which the International Labour Organization estimates generates US\$150.2 billion in profits each year. This money not only lines the pockets of the perpetrators but also finances violence, corruption, and other abuses. These crimes undermine local and national economies, destroy the environment, and jeopardize the health and wellbeing of people everywhere.

As a leader in our sector it is Marshalls' job to be as informed as we can be, to work to raise awareness within the construction sector, to know what the issues are in our own supply chains, and where, to make our business operations and supply chains as unattractive to criminals as possible, support our anti-slavery commissioners, work in collaboration with law enforcement agencies locally, nationally and internationally, work creatively with anti-slavery partners to prevent modern slavery, use everything that we have at our disposal as a business and to put the victim at the centre of our response. In short, to do whatever we can with whatever we have.

We have made good strides since the introduction of the Modern Slavery Act, but there is much more still to do.

<sup>\*</sup> Transnational Crime and the Developing World Report http://www.gfintegrity.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Transnational\_Crime-final.pdf

## Victim-Focused Perspective

Elaine Mitchel-Hill, Business & Human Rights Lead, Marshalls plc

"It would be easy for many corporations to lose sight of the victims of modern slavery in the drive to 'mitigate risk' and to be seen to respond to the requirements of the Modern Slavery Act. Although the task is complexed, especially in overseas supply chains where often the infrastructure to support businesses in driving out modern slavery is weak or does not exist, we are clear that the victims of modern slavery are firmly at the centre of our strategy.

This victim-focused perspective is one which is a natural fit for Marshalls; an organisation which puts families, children and their wellbeing at the heart of its business model.

I have, without exception, experienced the full support of the business – from top to bottom – in the drive to understand and eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking. It is this engagement from my colleagues which fires my belief that Marshalls has an important contribution to make in leading the sector and together with other like-minded organisation and individuals, finding ways to herd the criminals behind this exploitation into plain sight."

## Modern Slavery Implementation Timeline



Launch of Modern Slavery Internal Awareness Campaign; rolled out over 2016. Face-to-face meetings with key customers to share approaches to modern slavery and discuss future collaboration.



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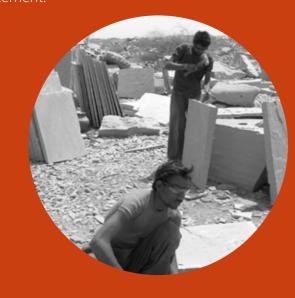
August 2016

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October 2016

Published 1st MSA Statement

Connects with local Police & Crime Commissioner and local law enforcement.



Development of internal protocols regarding instances of modern slavery in UK business operations.

Modern Slavery internal training launched online within the GLZ.

UNGC UK Network Modern Slavery Working Group.



Developed pilot education programme together with our temporary labour provider; delivered in January, March & June 2017

### Modern Slavery Implementation Timeline

Development and drafting of M-Way; Marshalls Supplier Code of Conduct & Marshalls Employee Code of Conduct.



Appointment of Business & Human Rights Intern to assist with modern slavery country profiling.

GLAA training at Derby University for Business & Human Rights Lead; Investigating Modern Slavery

Marshalls becomes first organisation to be BRE Ethical Labour Standard 6002 Accredited. Development of supply chain risk mapping process.

M-Way, Employee Code of Conduct, published internally.

November 2016

December 2016

January 2017

February 2017

March 2017

April 2017

May 2017

BRE ELS 6002 audit takes place.

BHR Lead modern slavery risk mapping and awareness raising supply chain field trip.

Marshalls co-hosts Indian Sandstone Stewardship event at India Sustainability Conference, Delhi, India. Global Partnership with Hope for Justice.

Cambodia with Hope for Justice to see its in-country operations. On to Vietnam to undertake a series of local government meetings, third sector organisation meetings and to meet with British Embassy staff.

Procurement team modern slavery intensive training delivered by Hope for Justice.

Training & appointment of 1st Modern Slavery Ambassador.

Training & appointment of 2nd Modern Slavery Ambassador.

Modern Slavery Ambassador delivers awareness training to Marshalls Registered Installers. India with Hope for Justice and our independent ethical auditor to map the supply chain to undertake modern slavery risk mapping.

Invited to join the West Yorkshire Anti-Trafficking & Modern Slavery Network as its first business member.

Development of Business & Human Rights Yammer Platform.

Presentation to the West Yorkshire Anti-Trafficking & Modern Slavery Network – a business's perspective.

Published 2nd MSA Statement

Modern slavery risk mapping country profiles published.

M-Way, Supplier Code of Conduct, published externally.

Launch of Marshalls independent IT platform; modern slavery training for all suppliers; M-Way training for all suppliers; Anti-Bribery & Corruption training for all suppliers.

## Global Partnership With Anti-Slavery Organisation Hope For Justice



In January 2017 Marshalls entered into a long-term partnership with Hope for Justice, an anti-trafficking and anti-slavery organisation which exists to bring an end to modern slavery by rescuing victims, restoring lives, and reforming society.

Chris Harrop, Marshalls' Group Marketing Director, Responsible for Sustainability, said, "We were delighted to announce our partnership the major focus of which is preventative activity aimed at employee and supplier education but can also offer expert remediation services if required. Whilst at this point in time we are not aware of any instances of modern slavery within our business we understand that modern slavery is rife. This partnership is helping us to deliver on the commitments we have made in our Modern Slavery Disclosure statement."

With backgrounds in criminal investigation and public protection, Hope for Justices' award-winning expert teams operate out of highly successful Regional Investigative Hubs to provide proactive services to businesses partners. Hope for Justice experienced team are also geared-up to respond where potential victims are identified within business operations or supply chain.

"Part of our mission at Hope for Justice is to bring and engaging with businesses and the corporate sector is a vital element of that. We want to empower businesses to take action to eliminate slavery from their operations and supply chains and its ambition to have the highest levels of integrity towards its workforce has been made clear to us.

"I hope our partnership with Marshalls will continue, and indeed will go from strength to

Ben Cooley CEO, Hope for Justice

## Marshalls Modern Slavery Ambassadors

Our Modern Slavery Ambassadors are purposefully and strategically recruited. They already hold key roles within our organisation, are fully engaged and trained regarding modern slavery and are able to use this knowledge as part of what they do.



Left to right: Nigel Oseman, Training Manager, Hope for Justice, Dave Jessop & Karen Preiss, Gary Booth, Hope for Justice.

### Dave Jessop, Modern Slavery Ambassador Installer's Register

Dave is responsible for Marshalls Registered Installers; a UK-wide register of Marshalls certified patio and drive way installers. Since his appointment as Modern Slavery Ambassador he has taken swift and direct action to communicate with registered installers. He conducted awareness raising roadshows covering fourteen strategic locations nationwide in January 2017 to 230 businesses and 507 individuals. Dave has also ensured that 2000+ register member businesses have been communicated with and given information on how to spot the signs of moderns slavery, how to report and how to stay safe.

Dave says, "Installers are wholly supportive of our mission to do all that we can to prevent modern slavery. They are also motivated to be our eyes-and-ears on the ground from an economic perspective too; if someone can undercut them and take away their work because they're using slaves this has a direct impact on them. We're aware through the training and networking with anti-slavery and law enforcement agencies that the laying of patios and driveways is an area of concern. As a result of our activity with register members we've received information and intelligence which we've been able to pass on the Hope for Justice and the police which have resulted in ongoing investigations."

"I'm passionate about playing my part in preventing modern slavery and delighted that Marshalls commitment and approach is so unequivocal. To enhance my own understanding of the issues I was invited to spend a day with Hope for Justices' investigations team. Observing the investigation team gathering evidence, undertaking surveillance, engaging with vulnerable individuals and liaising with local law enforcement reinforced my commitment to do what I can to support this through my role within Marshalls."

### Karen Preiss, Modern Slavery Ambassador Procurement

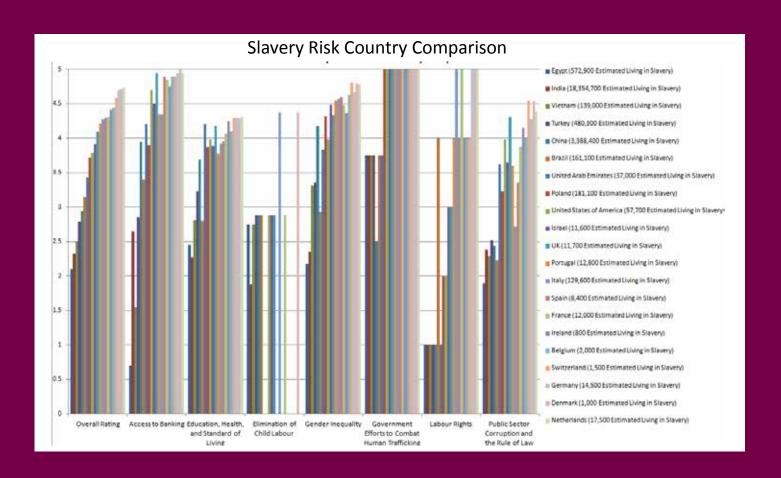
Since her appointment as Modern Slavery Ambassador Karen's focus has been working with her procurement colleagues and Global Supply Chain Director, Richard Beale, to build further upon ethical procurement practices by fully incorporating modern slavery risk and facilitating the training of the department on the signs of slavery and human trafficking and how the business can work to identify areas of risk and take action. Karen has been instrumental in the pilot education programme with temporary labour provider de Poel.

"The response from those having had the training has been overwhelmingly positive. Increasing their awareness of the systematic, exploitative and 'business-like' nature of the criminals who traffic workers for forced labour was a shock to most. Armed with increased awareness of the signs and the devastating impact of modern slavery participants left with plans to make changes to the way they operate as a direct result of the training."

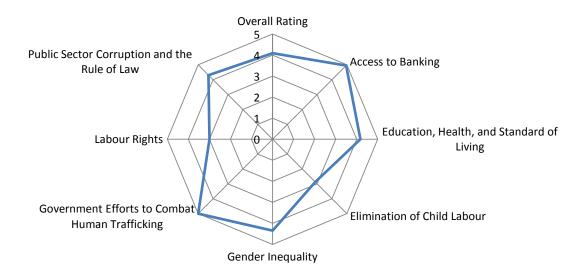


# Modern Slavery Risk Mapping & Country Profiling

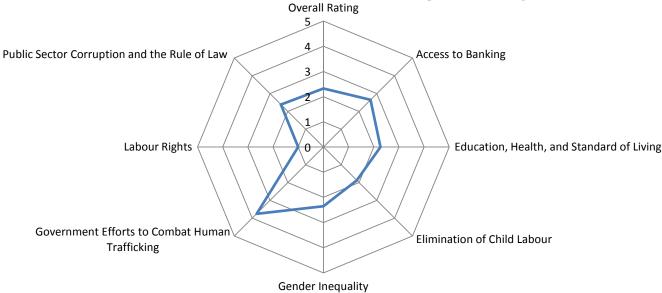
We've undertaken, and published online, extensive modern slavery risk mapping for all of our existing sourcing countries. This process is also part of our due diligence when we consider new suppliers and sourcing countries. We analyse this modern slavery risk mapping information alongside our internal data; we have developed a comprehensive commodities risk index which included goods for resales, indirect goods & raw materials. This enables us to clearly identify areas of risk and set clear priorities.



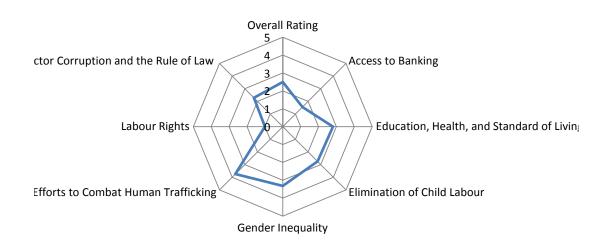
#### **United Kingdom (11,700 Estimated Living in Slavery)**



## India (18,354,700 Estimated Living in Slavery)



#### Vietnam (139,000 Estimated Living in Slavery)



## Human Rights



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Martyn Coffey, CEO Marshalls.

In order to deliver on our mission of 'creating better landscapes' we are empowered from a human rights perspective to seek out where we might be unintentionally doing harm and to work hard to put this right, but also to go beyond and to look at how by doing better we can create a net positive impact; so, not just mitigate and remediate, but aim to make a positive contribution. While this aspirational goal is very much work in progress it guides and shapes our approach to modern slavery demanding that we drive for creative and collaborative solutions. Different solutions call for different thinking & different action and this can be uncomfortable and create turbulence; a necessary by-product of change.

Our focus for the next twelve months will very much be on looking at our high risk supply chains overseas and working with our anti-slavery partner, procurement and human resources teams, and others, to ensure that where we find slavery we are well placed to offer support and remediation to victims which is above all appropriate for the situation, but which also seeks to be part of any longer term solution. Here in the UK, we aim to increase preventative and educational work in collaboration with the UN, Hope for Justice, law enforcement agencies, local anti-slavery networks, customers, suppliers, employees, Modern Slavery Ambassadors and partners. We will continue to draw on data from within our operations to help drill down further, alongside the country risk mapping that we have undertaken.

## Marshalls' Human Rights Policy

Marshalls supports human rights consistent with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. In conducting its business activities across the globe Marshalls respects these rights and seeks to uphold, preserve and promote them.

Marshalls works diligently in all respects to support and uphold the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. The organisation has a dedicated human rights programme including; human rights due diligence procurement process, ongoing human rights impact assessments, country specific human rights monitoring, social auditing, independent supply chain auditing, employee and supplier training programme, internal human rights awareness programme, Children's Rights and Business Principles auditing, Women's Empowerment Principles implementation and human rights monitoring and reporting.

Marshalls is committed to working to eliminate modern slavery and makes an annual Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking Disclosure Statement as required by law.

As part of this process our Human Rights Policy is reviewed on an annual basis.

Marshalls works to ensure that its presence cultivates fair and sustainable relationships. Marshalls respects and values the dignity, well being and rights of employees, their families and the wider community. The Company actively works and collaborates with employees, elected employee representatives, communities, non-governmental and other appropriate stakeholders to uphold and promote these rights.

Where human rights are under threat Marshalls works to uphold local laws, promote international standards and strives to have international standards upheld by the appropriate Governments, Institutions and Agencies.

Marshalls embraces opportunities to promote a broader understanding of human rights values working within its sphere of influence.

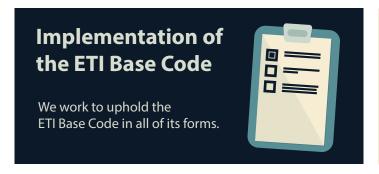
Marshalls actively seeks to collaborate with appropriate organisations to promote respect for human rights in a manner which is consistent with the role of business.

## Fairstone Principles

# Marshalls Fairstone Principles



Marshalls had been shining a light on ethical issues, including labour rights, workers health & safety and children's rights, since 2005. We were the first to bring our India Fairstone product to market in 2009 where we worked hard to drive improvements not only in our supply chain but across the sandstone sector as a whole. Since then we've found that the principles upon which Fairstone was founded are sound, more relevant that ever and apply to all of our natural stone supply chains. We've therefore developed Marshalls Fairstone Principles which we apply across all of our natural stone supply chains. We know through our comprehensive auditing and risk mapping processes that we face different challenges in different countries. Our country profiling allows us to put emphasis in the right place, engage with our supply chains on a journey of continuous improvement and to engage with our own and other governments to push for greater change when our own leverage just isn't enough. These Fairstone Principles are part of how we do business and help to ensure that workers, their rights, family and community remain at the heart of our supply chain endeavours.



## Implementation of **Modern Slavery** Commitments



We work to deliver on the promises we make within our Modern Slavery Statement.

## **Rigorous Human Rights Due Diligence**

We are thorough in our human rights due diligence and make good business decisions based on this.



## Children's Rights & **Business Principles**

business; wherever they are

## **IPEC**

Marshalls remains committed to the ILO's International Program on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC) Child Labour Platform to further our work regarding the elimination of child labour in the sandstone sector in Rajasthan, India, and as a result of our commitments to Children's Rights & Business Principles. IPEC, created in 1992 with the overall goal of the progressive elimination of child labour, is the largest program of its kind globally and the biggest single operational program of the ILO.



IPEC's work to eliminate child labour is an important facet of the ILO's Decent Work Agenda. Child labour not only prevents children from acquiring the skills and education they need for a better future, it also perpetuates poverty and affects national economies through losses in competitiveness, productivity and potential income. Withdrawing children from child labour, providing them with education and assisting their families with training and employment opportunities contribute directly to creating decent work for adults.

International Labour Organization

## Children's Rights & Business Principles

During 2018 we will complete our third Children's Rights and Business Principles. This will allows us to refresh our top 10 CRBP priorities and to plan our work in this area accordingly.



# Women's Empowerment Principles

We have delivered on our commit to undertake an audit of our business against the Women's Empowerment Principles. We have benchmarked Marshalls and undertaken a gap analysis and we know how we must proceed.

# Human Rights: Targets



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS 2017**

Continue to work to uphold the ETI base code throughout our operations.

Further improve and develop the reporting process for social auditors and any associated corrective action plans.

Further develop our human rights monitoring and evaluation programme in conjunction with our anti-slavery partner, Hope for Justice.

Further development of the human rights programme.

Further work on the process of embedding human rights within the organisation; working closely with human resources and procurement teams; modern slavery ambassadors and delivering the appropriate internal training regarding human rights & business, especially in relation to modern slavery.

Continue to implement our CRBP top 10 priorities.

Finalise our WEPs audit and implement recommendations.

Deliver our second Modern Slavery Act Disclosure Statement and work with 'critical friends' to develop and work on the associated KPI's.

#### TARGETS 2018

Work to deliver the new 2020 ETI strategy tehreby upholding the ETI Basecode throughout our operations

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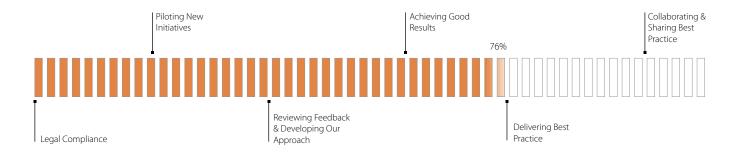
Devlopment of our ethical auditing and Modern Slavery Risk Assessment processes and procedures

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Complete our CRBP Audit and revise as appropriate our CRBP top ten priorities Continue to implement our CRBP top 10 priorities.

Deliver our third Modern Slavery Act Disclosure Statement and continue to work with 'critical friends' to further develop our KPIs.

## Labour



Marshalls' ETI Strategic Plan 2018 – 2020 now firmly sits within the broader context of the organisations' commitments as a UNGC signatory and within the businesses overall marketing strategy. As such our new ETI strategic commitments and the progress made each year will be documented here within Marshalls annual UNGC Communication of Progress Report. In addition we will also report back to the ETI via the online strategic reporting platform.

Objectives have been developed to support, strengthen and maximise Marshalls existing business & human rights programme and the commitments made in the organisations Modern Slavery Disclosure Statement. They honour Marshalls' commitment to ETI Base Code implementation, take inspiration from the ETI's Human Rights Due Diligence Framework, and will ultimately further embed and integrate ethical trade into business activities and decision making, and seek to improve conditions for workers, their families and communities.

There are four objectives which Marshalls will seek to deliver between 2018 and 2020:

Develop and embed internal processes and procedures which allow Marshalls to effectively assess actual and potential human rights risks and the effectiveness of ETI Base Code implementation in its business operations and global supply chain.

Collaborate with suppliers, agents, ILO, IPEC, anti-slavery partners, the Anti-Slavery Commissioners Office, governments and other actors to identify, prevent and mitigate human rights abuses in Marshalls own business operations and supply chains, and in the wider construction sector.

Develop and implement a forced labour/ modern slavery identification and remediation processes in Marshalls UK business operations, and in supply chains in India, Vietnam & Europe.

Develop and implement human rights monitoring, reviewing and reporting processes; report transparently on all efforts to respects human rights and prevent forced labour/modern slavery and utilise to inform business decision making, due diligence processes and improve conditions for workers.

### Implementing the FTI Base Code

Implementing the ETI Base Code across all of our global supply Mitchel-Hill and our Head of Procurement, Richard Beale, the organisation works hard to ensure that customer demands do not impact negatively upon workers.



## Human Rights Due Diligence Framework

Human rights due diligence is the action taken by a company to both identify and act upon actual and potential risks for workers in its operations, supply chains and the services it uses.

Moving forward Marshalls will use the ETI's approach to human rights due diligence which is based on multi-stakeholder engagement and processes that include:

- Assessment of actual and potential human rights risks
- Mitigation of risk and remediation for workers impacted by human rights violations
- · Identification of corporate leverage and responsibility, decision-making and actions needed
- · Monitoring, review, reporting and continuous improvement

ETI's experience has demonstrated that this is the most effective form of due diligence and the most likely way to bring about lasting change.



#### **ETI HUMAN RIGHTS DUE** DILIGENCE FRAMEWORK

· Map supply chains and services and prioritise Identify risks to workers by sector, nature of work, type of worker, employment

relationships and labour

Review country risks

- · Identify direct and indirect causes and impacts
- Review HR systems. recruitment
- Assess workers' ability to access rights to freedom of association and collective bargaining · Rank risks by severity
- and degree of responsibility
- Analyse the data, identify next actions and process
- Track mitigation and • Review decisionmaking, responsibility and accountability - (especially at senior levels)
- Review information sources and systems - ensure evidence is credible, verifiable and
- Analyse evidence, learn actions and long-term prevention
- Communicate internally and with business partners on human rights due diligence
- Report publicly on steps taken to respect human rights and prevent modern slavery
- Build partnerships and collaborative action

Assess actual and potential human rights risks

> 04. Monitor, review. report and improve

02. Identify leverage, responsibility and actions

Mitigate risk and remediate workers

manage and mitigate human rights abuses in their own operations and supply chains. corporate responsibility,

Key steps that companies should take to prevent,

- including direct and indirect labour rights impacts Assess leverage with suppliers, agents and
- contractors Review sourcing
- strategies and purchasing Establish benchmarks
- and rules for monitoring improvements or termination with suppliers

mitigate human rights

· Provide remediation for

Identify and act on changes to working

harm)

practices

- Review supplier capacity to manage labour risks
- Review policies and procedures to enable workers to access their right to organise and bargain collectively
- Identify opportunities for collaborative action
- Review corporate decision-making and accountability, policies and systems to manage risks





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  - Establish / revise grievance and remediation systems



# Labour: Living Wage



Marshalls was awarded the Living Wage Employers Accreditation in 2014. This is only available in the UK. In India, Marshalls works with NGOs and others to calculate a living wage which is paid to those working in its supply chain there.

#### **ACCREDITATION**

Offers accreditation to employers that pay the Living Wage, or those committed to an agreed timetable of implementation, by awarding the Living Wage Employer Mark.

Offers a Service Provider Recognition Scheme for third party contractors who pay their own staff the Living Wage and always offer a Living Wage option when submitting tenders.

#### INTFI LIGENCE

Provides advice and support to employers and service providers implementing the Living Wage including best practice guides; case studies from leading employers; model procurement frameworks and access to specialist legal and HR advice. We coordinate the announcement of the new Living Wage rates each November.

#### **INFLUENCE**

Provides a forum for leading employers and service providers to publicly back the Living Wage. Work with Principal Partners who bring financial and strategic support to our work. The Foundations coordinates Living Wage Week each November, a UK wide celebration of the Living Wage.

## What is it?

# Labour: Living Wage









#### What are the benefits?

#### > Good for Business

An independent study examining the business benefits of implementing a Living Wage policy in London found that more than 80% of employers believe that the Living Wage had enhanced the quality of the work of their staff, while absenteeism had fallen by approximately 25%.

Two thirds of employers reported a significant impact on recruitment and retention within their organisation. 70% of employers felt that the Living Wage had increased consumer awareness of their organisation's commitment to be an ethical employer.

Following the adoption of the Living Wage PwC found turnover of contractors fell from 4% to 1%.

#### > Good for Families

The Living Wage affords people the opportunity to provide for themselves and their families.

75% of employees reported increases in work quality as a result of receiving the Living Wage.

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#### > Good for Society

The Living Wage campaign was launched in 2001 by parents in East London, who were frustrated that working two minimum wage jobs left no time for family life.

The causes of poverty are complex and in order to improve lives, there should be a package of solutions across policy areas. The Living Wage can be part of the solution.

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## Labour: Targets



#### **ACHIEVENTS 2017**

#### TARGETS 2018

Maintain accreditation to IMS.

Maintain accreditation to BRE ELS 6002.

Maintain information gathering regarding labour laws throughout our supply chain.

Maintain a programme of auditing against the ETI Base Code

Work to further improve the social auditor reporting process; and any associated correct action plan processes and procedures.

Continue to implement the recommendations resulting from the UNICEF research.

Work with procurement team to communicate Marshalls Supplier Code of Conduct.

Work with the procurement and human resources team to further develop systems and procedures which help to ensure that no modern slavery takes place within our operations.

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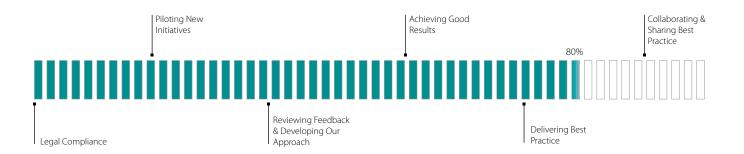
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## Environment



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Key environmental targets and drivers for our business are determined by legislative requirement and also the Company's commitment to sustainability, cost efficiency and shareholder value. of energy consumption and how this relates to carbon reduction

Marshalls' Environment & Climate Change Policy documents the



#### **Environmental Policy Statement**

Marshalls understands the potential impacts of our operations, products and services. The Group is committed to achieving the highest standards of environmental performance to protect the environmental operent pollution from its operation and to minimise the environmental damage that occurs as a result of its activities. We operate to an established environmental management system ("EMS") to ensure that all our operations meet or exceed the requirements of legislation and applicable best practice as an integral part of our business strategy.

Marshalls is committed to monitoring, measuring and reporting of our environmental performance, using appropriate external guidelines wherever practicable. The Group assesses the environmental aspects, impacts, risks and opportunities of its activities setting appropriate objectives and targets.

This policy applies to all Marshalls businesses and requires Marshalls to:

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In conjunction with this policy there is a framework of supporting policies relevant to achieving Group Sustainability objectives.



#### **Energy and Climate Change Policy Statement**

The use of energy is vital in the supply and manufacture of our products and represents a significant proportion of our operating costs. Votalitie energy costs for us and in our supply chain; growing concerns over the security of supply and climate change mean that the importance of controlling our energy use has never been so high. This policy document is consistent with our sustainability statetys and supports our vision by helping us to operate our business, as market leaders, in a sustainable and responsible manner.

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Marshalls recognises that sound energy imanagement is vital to the future of our business and it must be fully integrated into our management and operational procedures so that it is an everyday part of what we all do. Marshalls commits to ensuring that appropriate energy management systems, are developed, maintained, and that sufficient resources are made variable to achieve the objectives of this policy in a sustainable manner also that they are in line with continuous improvement principles. All UK operations are certified under BS EN 50001. This policy applies to all Marshalls businesses and requires Marshalls to.

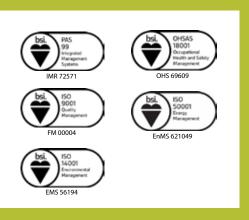
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- Set group wide KPI's and targets, appropriate to the nature and scale of our operations, for energy efficiency and emission reduction. Ensure all fuels are effectively monitored, measured and analysed to target energy efficiency opportunities.
- Conduct energy reviews to identify opportunities for efficiency improvements and implement appropriate action plans. .
- Ensure energy efficiency is designed into capital projects that have a significant impact on energy consumption.
- Ensure contractors and suppliers that have a significant impact on energy support Marshalls energy performance improvement. Ensure Marshalls' staff are trained and aware of their responsibilities in relation to energy efficiency.
- Develop on-site generation or direct connections to renewable power where financially and operationally viable.
- Develop adaptation and mitigation strategies for climate change and fossil fuel depletion.
- Report progress in relation to this policy to internal and external stakeholders This policy, will be reviewed annually as part of the management review process.

Martyn Coffey, Chief Executive April 2017

# Environmental Policy – Key Features



# Environmental Management

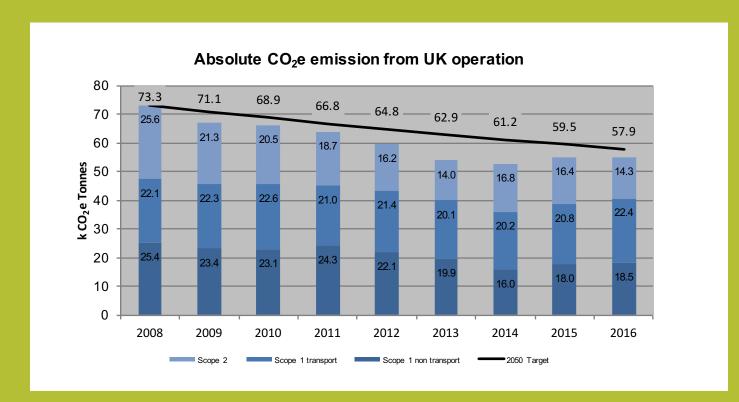


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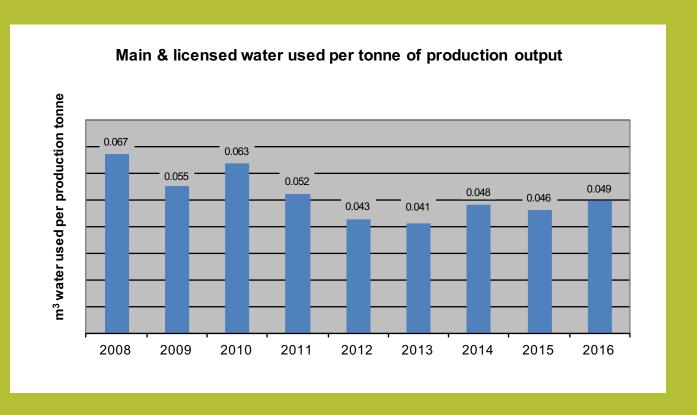


## Carbon





## Water



## Transport



## **Environment: Targets**



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS 2017**

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Reduce use of water from mains and licensed boreholes to 0.05m3 per tonne of production by 2015.

Implement biodiversity plans at selected sites.

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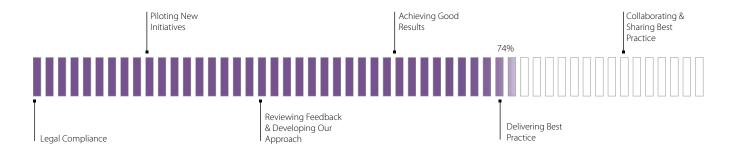
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## Anti-Corruption



The UK Bribery Act 2010 came into force on 1st July 2011. It amends and reforms UK criminal law and provides a modern legal framework to combat bribery in the UK and internationally.

## The Bribery Act creates the following offences:

# **ACTIVE BRIBERY:**

promising or giving a financial or other advantage.

# **ACTIVE BRIBERY:**

Passive bribery: agreeing to receive or accepting a financial or other advantage.

## 3# **ACTIVE BRIBERY:**

Bribery of foreign public officials.

## 4# **ACTIVE BRIBERY:**

The failure of commercial organisations to prevent bribery by an associated person (corporate offence).

Throughout 2011 there was great focus by the UNGC UK Network on Anti-Corruption with a number of events and speakers attending education events open to UK Network members. Marshalls took advantage of these opportunities with a range of individuals from within the organisation attending and reporting back.

The UNGC tenth principle commits signatories not only to actively avoid bribery, extortion and other forms of corruption but to develop policies and concrete programmes to address corruption and related risks.

Marshalls understands that bribery is not a victimless crime and that it discourages developmentally effective trade and siphons off funds away from projects designed to help the most disadvantaged. It tarnishes reputations, drains corporate motivation and distorts competition.

Marshalls' procurement policy can be viewed at: www.marshalls.co.uk/ sustainability

# Anti-Corruption: Targets



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS 2017**

#### TARGETS 2018

Communicate Marshalls sustainability strategy which has anti-corruption measures woven throughout.

Publish and communicate our Supplier Code of Conduct giving clear anti-corruption and anti-bribery information using the new IT-based platform.

Ensure that this guidance is made publicly available for all stakeholders.

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## Business in the Community



Business in the Community is the Prince of Wales' Responsible Business Network. Marshalls remains a members and works in support of tackling a wide range of issues that are essential to building a fairer society and a more sustainable future.



# Proud to be Fair Tax Accredited and Pay Our Fair Share of Tax



## Long Service Award

Marshalls has once again celebrated the commitment and hard work of employees who have been with the company for 25 years, at a presentation which took place yesterday at Oulton Hall, Leeds.

company was founded in the late 1800s by Solomon Marshall who registered S. Marshalls & Sons Ltd in 1904 having seen that a living could be made from the quarrying business after working as a foreman at Pond Quarry, Brighouse.

Today Marshalls maintains a strong presence in West Yorkshire, including its head office in Elland, as well as having a number of sites across England, Scotland, and Wales.

Marshalls Chief Executive, Martyn Coffey said: "The Long Service Awards is a fantastic event which celebrates the commitment of Marshalls employees, and gives me the opportunity to personally thank those who have contributed so much to Marshalls' success over the last 25 years.



## **Employees**

#### Equality and diversity

The ability to recruit, retain and develop the right people is fundamental to the future success of the business. The Company believes that attracting a suitably diverse range of individuals with the appropriate skills and experience will help us to achieve its goals.

As such, the Group has policies that promote equality and diversity and is committed to providing equal opportunities to employees and potential employees irrespective of gender, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, disability or religious beliefs. The Company opposes all forms of discrimination and reinforces this through communication, awareness training and policy.

#### **Employees**

The Company continues to be a "Living Wage Employer", underscoring its commitment to fairness and integrity towards our employees. Our recruitment policies are geared towards giving full and fair consideration towards creating a more diverse workforce and it is clear that there is much to be done in making the Company more attractive to both younger people and females in what has been historically a highly male dominated sector and workplace. The Company will be considering pro-active ways to encourage the attraction and promotion of these groups as part of our wider diversity and inclusion policy.

We also welcome and give full and fair consideration to applications from persons with recognised disabilities, providing equal opportunities for promotion and development and making adjustments to ensure that such individuals are not disadvantaged in the workplace.

#### Employee engagement and development

Improving employee engagement throughout the Group continues to be an important priority in order for the business to deliver on its strategy and objectives as well as providing a fulfilling and rewarding place of work for our people. Initiatives to improve this included various charitable events across the Group raising in total over £100,000 for our nominated charity, MIND. The business also used the "Best Companies" framework to conduct another employee survey across all of the Group during 2017, achieving a response rate of 70 per cent. This will have been the fifth survey of this type as we continue to strive to improve our working environments and capture the valuable feedback from our employees and devise improvement plans as a result. The Company operates Sharesave and share purchase plans to encourage employee participation in the Company's success.

The engagement programme is supported by an annual Group-wide communication "roadshow" programme of senior management visits travelling around the business with the objective of meeting as many of our employees as possible face to face. This provides the Directors and senior management team with an unparalleled opportunity to explain to our employees how the business is performing, how our strategy is working, and what the priorities and objectives are, as well as providing information of concern to employees generally, taking soundings on employee views and answering questions in an open forum.

As a business, we are committed to investing in our employees. The ongoing training and development of our employees to develop our future managers and leaders is of major importance to the business. There is a range of online learning programmes accessible to all employees, and, in addition, to the management training programme for our first line managers, in which over 100 employees have now participated, we have added an additional 3 management development programmes. These programmes are geared towards emerging and middle management and facilitated through the University of Salford, Ashridge Business School and Cranfield School of Management.

# Health & Safety

The Group is committed to safeguarding the health and safety of every employee and all stakeholders who may be affected by our undertakings. Maintaining the highest standards of health and safety remains a cornerstone of the Group's culture and we are committed to the continual improvement in health and safety performance.

which all managers visibly demonstrate health and safety leadership.

its safety processes, and developing a competent workforce with a view to achieving long-term improvement gains. This remains a key priority for the business.

The achievement of annual health and safety improvement targets is directly linked to the remuneration of the

The headline target for 2017 was to maintain days lost resulting from workplace incidents at a figure no higher than the 2015 actual result.

The actual results achieved were:

- 11 per cent reduction in all incident frequency rate;
- 12 per cent reduction in incidents reportable to the HSE under the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrence Regulations ("RIDDOR").

The primary target for 2018 will be to achieve an accident rate for the year no higher than the 2015 actual result. The table below shows the KPIs used by the Group to monitor performance, and progress against those KPIs over

# Third Party Recognition & Awards

## Marshalls First in World to Achieve BRE Ethical Labour Standard 6002

BRE Global (the certification arm of BRE) has today announced at Eco-Build 2017 that Marshalls plc is the first organisation to achieve verification against its newly launched Ethical Labour Sourcing Standard (BES 6002).

Chris Harrop, Marshalls Marketing Director, responsible for sustainability, says "We are absolutely delighted not only to achieve BRE Global's Ethical Labour Sourcing (ELS) Standard, but to be the first to do so. This independent, third-party verification distinguishes our products and services from those of our 'competitors', some of whom make spurious and unsubstantiated claims about the ethics of their global supply chains. Our valued customers, suppliers, shareholders, employees and partners can continue to be rightly confident about our ongoing commitment to ethical labour standards and our day-today actions on the ground in pursuit of this."

Dr Shamir Ghumra, BRE's Director of Sustainable Products, presented the ELS verification certificate to Chris Harrop, saying, "I'm delighted to announce that Marshalls is the first organisation to achieve the new BRE Global Ethical Labour Sourcing verification Standard. The requirements of the Modern Slavery Act, underscored by the findings of the 2016 Global Slavery Index (1) which estimates that 45.8 million people are in some form of slavery in 167 countries, puts the onus on businesses to demonstrate exactly how they are taking positive action to eliminate modern slavery within their operations and global supply chains; none more so than within the construction sector. ELS verification provides organisations with a framework to verify their systems and processes in relation to the Modern Slavery Act and continuously improve their ethical labour sourcing practices. It is a credit to Marshalls that the organisation is leading the field in terms of ethical labour standards."

The ELS standard was developed throughout 2016 with a wide stakeholder group including clients, manufacturers, NGOs and contractors. The 150 strong stakeholder group helped to shape and scope the ELS standard to ensure that it would be relevant and drive positive change within industry. The verification approach will allow organisations to develop their ethical labour sourcing practices in a manner which is risk based and relevant to them. The ELS will support those who wish to demonstrate continual improvement.

Marshalls Business & Human Rights Lead, Elaine Mitchel-Hill, added, "This independent verification regarding ethical labour standards is an extremely important aspect in terms of delivering against our Modern Slavery Statement commitments. It's also a clear demonstration of how embedded within our organisation the issues of ethical labour, ethical supply chain and modern slavery are; it's part of our day-to-day work across our business whatever our job title or function. Organisational commitment to ethical sourcing is crystal clear and knowledge levels of modern slavery are high and growing still further. Early signs that businesses can have a positive impact are very encouraging and I look forward to reporting on the progress that Marshalls has made in our second Modern Slavery Statement in a few months' time. Marshalls will demonstrate how by fully engaging with an emerging business threat we can demonstrate best-practice as we drive towards transparent reporting. Increasingly it will be those organisations who continue to maintain that they remain untouched by the issues of modern slavery and who can offer no third party independent verification who will come under intense pressure to explain how this can possibly be the case in the light of this global issue."



## Marshalls Shortlisted for 2017 Thomas Reuters Foundation Stop Slavery Award

## RIBA Award for Marshalls Project



#### Auditing

In the past, Marshalls has worked with generally recognised auditors for its work in India. Whilst working in India however, Marshalls found it really needed to supply chain strategy follows the ETI Base Code, which Conventions. In embedding the Base Code in the supply

Marshalls employs full time social auditors in both India and China. Working on the ground alongside quarry & factory owners, managers, workers, unions and nongovernmental organisations, the auditor ensures all areas of the ETI Base Code are upheld.

Marshalls works with Just Solutions in order to gain a consistent approach to auditing its supplier network and is shared where possible. Led by expert supply chain auditing specialist Stirling Smith, an SAI listed consultant who works to develop and extend the SA8000 standard and the ETI Base Code. The company relies upon the hard core of convinced companies to engage stakeholders and professionals together in an agreed

Audits are carried out at least annually, by a two-person team over two days. A qualified Marshalls assessor goes to India and China five to six times a year to audit informally. If non-compliance is found, an action plan is agreed to ensure rectification takes place and this is

#### Ongoing Stakeholder Consultation

Marshalls would like to thank all of its stakeholders who had input into this ninth UNGC Communication on Progress, namely Marshalls' employees, customers, suppliers, partners and NGOs.

#### 2017 COP Feedback Survey

As a valued stakeholder Marshalls would very much appreciate your feedback and comments on its 2016 Communication on Progress (COP.) You may be aware that Marshalls became a signatory of the UNGC in January 2009. Our commitment to the UNGC requires York. This and all other COPs can be found in at

#### www.marshalls.co.uk/sustainability/publications

Our 2009 COP received a 'notable' status from the UNGC, an acknowledgement made to only a small percentage of signatories. We will make this 2017 COP's available for UNGC UK Network peer review again this year. We are particularly keen to gain frank feedback from a range corporate sustainability leadership throughout 2016 and

If you wish to take part in our COP feedback survey please email: elaine.mitchel-hill@marshalls.co.uk

### Accreditation

Marshalls only works with reputable and reliable



For more information on Marshalls, visit www.marshalls.co.uk/sustainability

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