

# Green ideas

Our environmental and energy policy

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# Hi, we're Virgin Trains and we're on a mission.



We're proud to be running a whopping **300 services a day** on Europe's busiest mixed-use railway. And have been putting trains on the West Coast Main Line for over 21 years, **covering around 900 miles** between London, the West Midlands, the North West of England, the North Wales Coast and Scotland.

Our team of 3,500 people and 70-strong fleet of Pendolino and Super Voyager trains know a thing or two about getting our customers from A to B; specialising in high-speed, high-frequency journeys for over 38million passengers a year.

We want to make a positive difference and reduce our impact on the environment. By taking a life-cycle perspective and a systematic approach we do the right thing for our people, our customers, our partners and our communities.

We know that climate change is an extremely important issue and we are working to improve the energy efficiency of our train services and buildings.

## We all play our part to help Virgin Trains Go Green.

In the spirit of sharing and doing the right thing, we're transparent with our core management processes for improving our Environmental and Energy performance.

Every one of our people, contractors and suppliers have their part to play in working sustainably to deliver our green ambitions.

This '**Environmental and energy policy**' statement covers the whole of Virgin Trains, and I am personally committed to this, as is every single one of my Executive Director team.

**Phil Whittingham, Managing Director**

## We promise to:



Prevent pollution and seek opportunities to protect and enhance the environment



Work with our stakeholders and their specific interests and requirements



Adopt best practice and comply with all of our compliance obligations and relevant legislation



Set, monitor and commit to achieve environmental and energy performance objectives and targets



Provide everyone with the information and necessary resources they need to achieve our environmental and energy performance targets



Seek to use environmentally sustainable and energy efficient goods, products and services



Continually work with our partners to ensure our new infrastructure projects and vehicle specifications are designed to maximise energy efficiency and improve our overall environmental performance



Periodically review this policy to make sure it's consistent and appropriate with the nature and scale of our organisation, the activities and the environmental and energy impacts from our products and services



Continually improve our Environmental and Energy Management Systems



Communicate this policy within Virgin Trains and make it available to interested parties