

COASTAL GEOHAZARDS EXPERTS LTD

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Document purpose and scope

This document sets out the **Sustainability and Environmental Management Policy for Coastal Geohazards Experts Ltd** (“CGE”). It applies to all company activities, including digital publishing, educational content creation, media production, and the operation of digital platforms and partnerships.

As a micro-enterprise, CGE operates primarily through remote and digital workflows. This policy ensures that sustainability principles are embedded across all business decisions, procurement choices, and content-production practices. It will be reviewed annually and made available to relevant stakeholders.

Aim

The aim of this policy is to integrate sustainability into CGE’s operations, planning, and decision-making. CGE recognises the interdependence of environmental, social, human, and economic sustainability and seeks to reflect these principles in all aspects of its work.

This policy supports CGE’s mission to:

- improve public understanding of coastal hazards and climate-related change
- operate responsibly and transparently
- minimise environmental impacts associated with digital operations
- promote sustainability through public-facing educational content

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- contribute positively to communities, audiences, and collaborators

Policy statement

CGE recognises that environmental, social, and economic responsibility is essential to long-term success and public trust. As a digital-first, public-benefit organisation, CGE commits to:

- **championing sustainability** across all operations and content
- **minimising environmental impacts**, including energy use, digital emissions, and resource consumption
- **promoting accurate, evidence-based communication** on climate, coastal change, and environmental risk
- **supporting the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** where relevant to CGE's mission
- **adopting circular-economy principles** in procurement and digital asset management
- **prioritising suppliers** who demonstrate strong environmental and ethical standards
- **complying with all applicable environmental legislation** and exceeding requirements where practical

CGE acknowledges the climate and ecological emergency and commits to taking proportionate, meaningful action to reduce its environmental footprint.

Responsibilities

Given CGE's size, overall responsibility for this policy rests with the **Founder and Director**, who will:

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- ensure sustainability principles are embedded in business decisions
- oversee environmental performance and annual review
- ensure procurement aligns with sustainability objectives
- maintain awareness of relevant legislation and best practice
- communicate expectations to collaborators and suppliers

All contractors, freelancers, and partners working with CGE are expected to:

- operate in accordance with this policy
- minimise environmental impacts in their work
- follow ethical and sustainable practices in line with CGE's values

Implementation

CGE will implement this policy through the following measures, proportionate to its digital-first operations:

Embedding sustainability principles

CGE will adopt a principles-based approach inspired by the UN Global Compact and SDGs, integrating sustainability into planning, procurement, and content development.

Minimising environmental impacts

CGE will:

- use energy-efficient digital tools and cloud services
- minimise unnecessary data storage and digital waste
- reduce travel and prioritise low-carbon alternatives

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- favour renewable-energy-powered hosting providers where possible
- reduce reliance on physical materials and promote digital-only workflows

Circular-economy and responsible procurement

CGE will:

- prioritise suppliers with strong sustainability credentials
- favour products and services with low life-cycle impacts
- avoid unnecessary purchases and extend the life of equipment
- minimise waste and avoid single-use materials where possible

Environmental risk awareness

Although CGE's operations are low-risk, the company will:

- assess environmental impacts of digital operations
- consider life-cycle impacts of procurement decisions
- ensure content production does not promote harmful practices

Climate action

CGE will:

- monitor its digital carbon footprint
- set proportionate reduction goals
- explore opportunities to offset residual emissions responsibly

Social value and community impact

CGE will:

- support public understanding of climate and coastal risk

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- promote accessible, evidence-based environmental education
- collaborate with organisations that share sustainability values

Training and awareness

CGE will ensure that anyone producing content or working on behalf of the company understands:

- sustainability expectations
- environmental responsibilities
- the importance of accurate, responsible environmental communication

Continuous improvement

CGE will:

- review sustainability performance annually
- update practices in line with emerging best practice
- seek opportunities to reduce environmental impacts further

Approval

This policy is approved by:

Founder & Director Coastal Geohazards Experts Ltd on 04/02/2026



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