

STL is committed to good environmental stewardship and aims to reduce the environmental impact of all our business activities. We encourage our staff to consider the environment in all aspects of their work.

The STL Green Team meets monthly to review our green achievements, as well as being the nominated green champion in each department, helping to train and inspire other employees in green working practices. STL is working towards ISO14001 accreditation.

Carbon Neutral



STL is carbon neutral as certified by The Carbon Neutral Company. We offset all the carbon dioxide generated by our activities and the offset fees support key environmental projects through The Carbon Neutral Company.

Energy

Following guidance from the Department for Energy and Climate Change (DECC) and DEFRA encouraging no or low cost initiatives to reduce an organisations carbon footprint, STL promotes the responsible use of energy throughout its offices. Staff are encouraged to switch off lights, monitors and heating when not required. We are currently investigating a green energy supply.

Purchasing

STL buys environmentally friendly products for use in the business whenever possible. This includes recycled paper, Fair Trade coffee and tea as well as eco friendly cleaning products and light bulbs.

Recycling



Each office has a recycling bin for all paper, plastic and tins. All printer cartridges and mobile phones are recycled. In 2008 STL was awarded the West Oxfordshire Green Bauble Award for our recycling initiatives.



Transport

STL staff are encouraged to car share, walk or cycle to work and we will be installing bike racks and offering a bicycle purchase scheme to staff. Staff walk to local meetings and make full use of public transport whenever possible. Being a telecoms company, STL uses conference and video conferencing to save on travel to meetings where appropriate.

Reduce and reuse

Staff do not print documents unless absolutely necessary and then they print two sided when relevant. They are reminded only to fill the kettle with the amount of water they will use. Old equipment is reused as spare parts where practical and we also run a programme for selling reconditioned equipment.

Online billing and banking

STL operates an online billing system for its customers and encourages suppliers to run online billing and banking solutions to reduce paper and postage.

