

Challenges:

MGL Group, within the broader construction sector, shoulders responsibility for extensive energy consumption. This spans direct energy usage in construction, including plant, equipment, vehicles, fuel, and electricity, and indirectly through materials and waste.

Numerous initiatives, often originating in previous years, have been scaled up and integrated into core operations, demonstrating MGL Group's commitment to innovation as a strategic business element. Continual efforts to reduce carbon emissions underpin its strategy for achieving a net-zero position across organizational activities.

In all projects, collaboration with the project community and stakeholders ensures the practicality, delivery, and oversight of identified social measures. Leveraging regional experience, MGL Group is resolute in sustaining social value initiatives, contributing to the broader social value agenda, and promoting economic development and regeneration.

Innovation is at the core of MGL Group's work, and it continually looks for new ways to meet future challenges.

Impact:

Sustainability has become a national if not global standard to be measured against, and being a Supply Chain Sustainability School member helps MGL Group align its practices with industry, client, and peer group standards. The time spent using the information available via the School is a valuable investment and helps the company enhance its sustainability efforts, reduce risks, and capitalize on the growing interest in sustainable supply chain practices. It contributes to short-term and long-term benefits, fostering a more responsible and resilient business model.

Over the years, MGL Group has completed several confidential company assessments, tracked its score, and generated its bespoke learning plans. The learning plans have proved invaluable in enhancing the company's knowledge and skills in this important field, strengthening its operational understanding, and promoting practices and strategies that minimize its operations' environmental, social, and economic impacts.

Engagement events:

As a valued Preferred Supplier to Kier Construction | North & Scotland, MGL Group was recently invited to their Subcontractor Sustainability Day (11/10/2023). The event supported several businesses in achieving bronze-level membership and above during the day, and MGL Group, as a Silver Level Member, took a lot from the session in its progression to Gold Level Member status.

Fact box



Company

MGL Group

No of employees

Approx 450

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Services

MGL Group offers a diverse range of services, including aggregates and recycling, asbestos removal, asphalt production, quarrying, civil engineering, groundworks, demolition, earthworks, remediation, property development, road surfacing, cold milling, and turnkey solutions.

About

MGL Group is a leading construction and demolition contractor in the Northeast of England. The company was founded in 1971 and has over 52 years of experience in the industry. We deliver a comprehensive range of services to reshape the built environment.

While serving as a valuable workshop for Kier Construction Suppliers, the event also assisted Kier in furthering its own Environmental Action Plan, reinforcing its commitment to continual improvement.

Resources:

Assessments - The assessment process proved highly pertinent to MGL Group's business, presented in a user-friendly format that allowed the company to readily apply its business knowledge to each category.

Action Plan - The customized action plans prove incredibly valuable by focusing on areas within MGL Group's business that require improvement in its knowledge base. Moreover, these plans are equally beneficial for fostering personal and professional growth.

E-learning modules - The e-learning modules offer numerous advantages for learners. One of the primary benefits is the flexibility they provide, allowing individuals, regardless of their location, to access the platform at their convenience. This is especially valuable for people with busy schedules. Furthermore, the utilization of eLearning reduces the reliance on physical materials, such as textbooks and paper. This shift towards digital resources aligns with MGL Group's commitment to environmental sustainability.

Value gained:

Many of MGL Group's clients are partners in the School, and they expect support in tackling environmental, social, and economic sustainability issues. Its membership serves as a tangible demonstration of the company's dedication to supporting not only its clients but also the broader industry, aligning with its sustainability objectives.

Illustrating a strong commitment to sustainability, environmental stewardship, and overall excellence can offer a distinct advantage when it comes to securing recurring business, setting MGL Group apart from competitors. Clients are increasingly looking for partners who share their values and objectives, with sustainability as a key distinguishing factor. This not only bolsters the company's appeal but also addresses concerns related to reputation, regulatory compliance, and operational risks.

The continued affiliation of MGL Group with the School not only enhances the company's reputation and brand recognition but also makes it more appealing to clients, strengthening its ability to secure new projects and partnerships.

Future proofing:

While MGL Group is a current user of the School, the company has observed that the level of engagement among its employees is not as high as it aspires it to be. It is the business's goal to increase active participation and ensure that the adoption of this platform for corporate learning is on par with other platforms it currently uses for different aspects of business training, like health and safety.