

Challenges:

A key challenge for BMH Scaffolding is reducing the environmental impact of transport and materials in an industry that relies heavily on vehicle use and steel components. Vehicle emissions are of particular concern given a geographically spread workforce and project locations across the UK. To tackle this the company is implementing fleet management systems to optimise routes, reduce unnecessary travel and transition vehicles to HVO fuel. Regular toolbox talks focus on waste minimisation, proper material handling and energy awareness. Another ongoing challenge is building a consistent sustainability culture across all levels, from site operatives to management, addressed by a new internal Sustainability Policy embedded into induction, training and project management processes.

Impact:

Engagement with the Supply Chain Sustainability School has helped BMH Scaffolding develop a clearer strategy around environmental performance and supply-chain engagement. The School's learning modules have trained office and site-based staff on responsible sourcing, carbon reduction and waste management. This has enabled the company to respond more effectively to client sustainability requirements and strengthened its ability to demonstrate compliance and good practice in PQQs and tenders. The School has also encouraged the setting of more measurable goals and improved internal communication of sustainability efforts.

Engagement events: Webinars and virtual workshops on scaffolding sustainability, low-carbon construction and material efficiency, were practical, relevant and informative. These sessions provided insight into client expectations and industry best practices, and spurred internal discussions on adaptation and improvement.

Assessments: The School's assessment process benchmarked BMH Scaffolding's performance and highlighted areas for improvement, guiding internal sustainability reviews.

Action Plan: The action plan provided clear next steps after assessment, helping the company to prioritise sustainability goals and assign responsibilities.

E-learning modules: E-learning modules were easy to access and valuable for engaging office staff and management. They supported efforts to raise awareness and improve company-wide understanding of sustainability.

Fact box



Company

BMH Scaffolding

No of employees

60

HQ

Pinxton, Derbyshire

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Services

Full range of scaffolding services including design, erection, and dismantling across commercial, residential, healthcare, and educational projects.

About

BMH Scaffolding, part of Phoenix Group, delivers professional scaffolding solutions across the UK. With a focus on safety, compliance and reliability, its experienced teams support projects of all scales, from standalone structures to large-scale multi-phase developments. The company invests in ongoing training and digital innovation to drive efficiency and maintain the highest standards.

Value gained:

Membership of the Supply Chain Sustainability School has enhanced BMH Scaffolding's knowledge, improved internal processes and enabled confident demonstration of sustainability commitment. Benefits include improved compliance, stronger procurement practices and closer alignment with clients who demand responsible business conduct. Continued involvement will help the company future-proof its operations and bolster its reputation in the construction sector.

Future proofing:

BMH Scaffolding plans to continue using the School's e-learning modules to upskill teams and embed sustainability across operations. The company would welcome more scaffolding-specific resources, real-life case studies and regional workshops for hands-on learning and cross-industry knowledge sharing.