

Challenges:

The main challenges that Bennetts Architectural Ironmongery faces around sustainability relate to packaging and logistics. Optimising delivery routes without impacting service levels and reducing or changing materials used for packaging to improve sustainability, are important to the business. Bennetts Architectural Ironmongery has collaborated with its valued supply chain partners to encourage reduced packaging from source and to replace plastic with sustainable materials, resulting in the use of smaller boxes made from recycled materials, allowing more product to be transported in lower volumes. Growing a sustainability-conscious workforce that can have a positive impact in these areas will be key to future improvements.

Impact:

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Value gained:

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Fact box

Bennetts

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Company

Bennetts Architectural Ironmongery

No of employees

15

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Services

Distributors of ironmongery, mirrors, ecology products, signage, social housing products

About

Bennetts Architectural Ironmongery is a national supplier of ironmongery and complementary products to major and regional developers, contractors and local authorities.

Future proofing:

Bennetts Architectural Ironmongery plans to expand employee engagement so that more of the team can participate in discussions on topics that will improve sustainability credentials. The organisation intends to make greater use of learning tools, including the free webinars that are regularly delivered by the Supply Chain Sustainability School.