

Challenges:

One of R Tindall Fabricators' most significant sustainability challenges lies within their supply chain. The majority of their suppliers are small and medium sized businesses with limited capacity, which means they often lack knowledge regarding sustainability practices, and for many, this is entirely new territory. Their ability to provide detailed environmental data or implement meaningful process changes is constrained by both resources and expertise. For example, R Tindall Fabricators have reached out to 50 suppliers, and 45 of them had never heard of carbon footprint reporting.

As a pioneer and advocate for sustainable practices within their industry, R Tindall Fabricators have taken on the responsibility of leading this transition, actively working to bring suppliers on board and supporting them in redesigning their processes to better reflect sustainability principles. While progress is gradual, R Tindall Fabricators remain committed to fostering a supply chain that aligns with their environmental values.

Impact:

Engaging with the Supply Chain Sustainability School has had a meaningful impact on how R Tindall Fabricators approach their sustainability challenges. The Supply Chain Sustainability School has provided a wealth of knowledge across a broad range of sustainability topics. As a company new to this area, this has helped build a solid foundation to drive change internally and across their supply chain. The way R Tindall Fabricators reach out to suppliers for carbon data is more targeted and supported with referable alternatives, as shown by the increase in engagement. The assessment process stood out as both detailed and straightforward to follow, making it easier to identify gaps internally and prioritise areas for improvement. The overall framework and resources provided have been instrumental in shaping their sustainability strategy and building greater awareness within the business. R Tindall Fabricators are now keen to infuse their supply chain with the knowledge gained.

Value gained:

Sustainability is a vast and ever, evolving topic, and Supply Chain Sustainability School membership has reinforced just how much there is still to learn and implement. The ongoing value of this relationship is deeply aligned with R Tindall Fabricators' long-term commitment to achieving Net Zero by 2050. Each year brings new challenges and milestones, and the Supply Chain Sustainability School is a vital source of fresh ideas and emerging best practices, particularly when it comes to reducing carbon footprint and tackling that final, most difficult 5% of emissions that must be eliminated. By embedding sustainability in core processes through the frameworks and guidance the Supply Chain Sustainability School provides, R Tindall Fabricators are positioning themselves to stay ahead of upcoming government regulations such as the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM). This alignment will strengthen tendering for projects

Fact box



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Services

Bespoke prefabricated fire sprinkler pipe & mechanical pipework

About

R Tindall Fabricators Ltd. are the market leading supplier of bespoke prefabricated fire sprinkler pipe and mechanical pipework serving the commercial fire and mechanical services industry right across the UK and Europe.

requiring LEED and BREEAM accreditation, opening new commercial opportunities. Ultimately, membership is central to establishing R Tindall Fabricators' reputation as a true pioneer in sustainability within the fire sprinkler manufacturing industry, a distinction that will become an increasingly important part of their brand identity.

Future proofing:

R Tindall Fabricators' primary goal is to bring supply chain partners on board with the Supply Chain Sustainability School, encouraging them to engage with the programme and develop their own sustainability strategies. As many suppliers have limited knowledge and capacity in this area, R Tindall Fabricators believe the Supply Chain Sustainability School's resources and structured learning pathway will be transformative for them. By equipping suppliers with the tools and frameworks to understand and implement sustainable practices, there will be a significant knock-on effect in reducing upstream carbon emissions, thus ensuring Net Zero by 2050 is achieved.