

Section 11: Sustainability Report

Health and Safety

JPC manages facilities for the CoJ and, as a result, issues related to the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHASA), 1993, are high on the organisation's priority list. The committee monitored the OHASA reports detailing the conditions of the public facilities under the management of JPC. The committee considered some of the challenges faced by the company in implementing its facilities management plans.

Environment

At JPC, reducing environmental impact is a top priority and is considered in all stages of the building and renovation projects to deliver innovative workspaces that are energy-efficient, have low operating costs, and use sustainable materials and recyclable products wherever possible. We have a commitment to maintain the Council Buildings in an environmentally sensitive way, including aspects such as the refurbishment programmes of buildings, planning and delivery of new capital projects and the chemicals used by our maintenance teams.

Built Environment

JPC works with external service providers to deliver on carbon and energy reduction targets through the installation and use of energy-efficient materials and equipment, and water efficiency fittings and equipment.

Through thorough assessments of office space use, the requirements for ergonomically friendly designed buildings are taken into consideration in the planning and construction of the most efficient and environmentally friendly offices. These requirements include aspects related to energy and water use, the internal environment (health and well-being), pollution, transport, materials, waste and facility management processes. Creating office environments with natural ventilation is also incorporated into designs for new and refurbished buildings.

Corporate Social Responsibility Report

The company's corporate social investment philosophy and function is broadly underpinned by the concept of sustainable development. The policy of JPC is to act as a facilitator, rather than as sole sponsor of social investment projects. In this way, the long-term sustainability of projects is encouraged, additional donors are attracted, and formerly disadvantaged communities are empowered. NGOs serve as a major national initiative through which business and government have joined hands to support strategic interventions on the following issues:

- Health care initiatives
- Education
- Skills training and job creation
- Small business development



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