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The importance of collaboration to deliver a sustainable fit-out

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11% of UK construction spend is on fit-out

Buildings may have 30 fit-outs during their lifecycle



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Representing the finishes & interior sector

Ongoing vetting of contractors

Setting higher standards

Driving quality through a focus on

PRODUCT PROCESS PEOPLE

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Sustainability



- A very broad topic covering
 - Carbon emissions and net zero
 - Wastes
 - Resource efficiency
 - Circular economy
 - Biodiversity
 - Health and wellbeing
 - Social value
 - etc





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How clients can raise the bar for sustainability requirements



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HOW CLIENTS CAN RAISE THE BAR FOR SUSTAINABILITY REQUIREMENTS

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British Land

SUSTAINABILITY UNDERPINS ALL OUR ACTIVITY



GREENER SPACES

50% less embodied carbon at our developments

75% reduction in operational carbon intensity

100% of developments to be net zero



THRIVING PLACES

Committed to a £25m Social Impact Fund to 2030

Education / employment initiatives targeting 90,000 people by 2030

Affordable space, targeting £10m by 2030



RESPONSIBLE CHOICES

Target of at least 40% female representation on the Board and senior management

17.5% ethnic minority representation across the Company by 2025

Independent anti-modern slavery audits of critical suppliers



NET ZERO CARBON BY 2030



British



BRITISH LAND SUSTAINABILITY BRIEF FOR DEVELOPMENTS





HOW WE ARE REDUCING EMBODIED CARBON IN DEVELOPMENTS

Material re-use Innovative materials & processes Low carbon concrete Low carbon steel 3,500m² windows recycled Electric arc furnace steel Piloting steel re-use 95% GGBS and Earth Friendly Concrete (1 Broadgate and Canada Water) (Various) (1 Triton Square) 2 Finsbury Avenue) Demountable beams High recycled content Tiling Globechain partnership Facilitating deconstruction Façade Stone cladding c.340 tonnes donated to repurposed as flooring communities for re-use (2 Finsbury Avenue) (Broadgate and Canada Water) (1 Broadgate, Exchange House) Materials passport Materials mapping Aluminium cladding Raised access floor

Facilitating deconstruction

and designing for

dissambley

(1 Broadgate, 2 Finsbury Avenue)

Exploring option onsite

and offsite reuse

Retaining or specifying previously used RAF

(All developments)



Supply chain engagement

and storage for materials

(Various)

USING RECYCLED RAISED ACCESS FLOORS

Replacing raised access flooring tends to be the biggest source of carbon on Cat A fit outs

The norm is to buy new - even though existing flooring often has many more years of potential life

At Exchange House, we sourced quality used materials. These are rigorously tested and warrantied by the supplier

6,000 sqm of reused tiles installed saving 200 tonnes of carbon







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Workspace Design Conference 2024

Tina Snedker Kristensen, Head of Sustainabilty & Communications, Troldtekt A/S



Troldtekt[®] acoustic panels









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Cradle to Cradle

- Three principles for the paradigm shift:
- Waste equals Food
- Use of renewable energies
- Celebrate diversity





A decade with Cradle to Cradle certified[®]











C2C Certified[®] Product Standard







Materials and Chemicals Subject to Review







Troldtekt and material health

- 2012: Cradle to Cradle certified[®] silver for Troldtekt, natural (unpainted)
- 2013: Cradle to Cradle certified[®] silver for Troldtekt in standard colours
- One certificate for ALL Troldtekt wood wool panels (B-s1,d0 + A2-s1,d0)

- Natural Wood
- White 101
- Grey 202
- Grey 208
- Black 207
- Clay 210









Troldtekt and material health

- New painting painting facility in 2016
- Surplus colour collected and reused
- Waste (paint) reduced by more than 70%
- 2022 Cradle to Cradle certified[®] gold and durability achieved with new recipe 2022









97,7%

Troldtekt: clean air and climate protection

- 2013: Energy from renewable sources (wind energy)
 2021: Share of renewable energy
- With new technology, from 2017 to 2021, we reduced our energy consumption per unit by 29,2 procent
- CO² emissions derive from the cement production!
- C2C gold incl. material health
- Fire performance without fire retardants (even A2)
- Longevity (50-70 years)
- Water resistance 98% (+/- 2) moisture









New binder, 30% less CO₂







Troldtekt[®] based on FUTURECEM[™]



26%

less CO₂ than that of Troldtekt based on grey cement

38%

less CO₂ than that of Troldtekt based on white cement



An award winning innovation







Biological cycle



Troldtekt panels can be safely returned to nature in the biological cycle. Scalable?

Technical cycle



Troldtekt production waste is used in the production of new cement, replacing fossil energy sources and virgin raw materials. To be scaled to post consumer products.



Existing buildings versus new buildings

Past

Today

Future

Limited control of material health (has the product been modified, painted etc.?) Full control of material health (C2C, introduction of material passports etc.)





Troldtekt End of Life scenarios





Linear versus circular













Thank you for your attention!







Chris Webb

Head of Sustainability TP Bennett

What needs to change in terms of our approach to responsible sourcing







Collaboration in sustainable fit-out:

Responsible Sourcing Perspective

Christopher Webb Head of Sustainability tp bennett

Is there a sustainable fitout?

- 'All new developments to be net zero carbon by 2030'
- Longevity = sustainability
- Average UK office lease length
 2 years 10 months
- 2 x fit-outs before 2030





• Akila Quinio, Financial Times article, July 2023 | Data taken from 'ReLeased', properly management

<u>https://www.ft.com/content/5cc8ae2e-765c-43be-9f84-9426408e9609</u>, Accessed February 2024

How does that look each year?



¹ Average of top 40 projects normalised by value for current financial year (20 architecture / 20 interiors projects). Average footprint used for architecture project: 13,500 t CO2e / Interiors 5,535 t CO2e. ² 969,021,450 petrol miles

How will things look in two fit-outs' time (and beyond)?



to manifest as 40°C UK summers, every three years

Are we designing for 2030?



Complexity of supply chains...



... And of products



- >50 components form a typical office chair
- 10-to-12-year warranty
- 1.8m UK office chairs downcycled each year

... With single-use installations (not designed for the future)





Results of current collaboration











Assets that won't perform in 2030

Manufacturing & supply chains complexity

Complicated products - but built to last!

Short leases

'Disposal as Standard' mindset

Collaboration with our 2030-selves



As designers we must

- Design buildings which flex both in overall use and use of individual spaces
- Standardise internal forms to support more replicable material use
- Commission pre-demo audits target reuse of available materials in new design – take a risk!
- Prioritise bio-based materials (naturally more circular)
- Change mindset new isn't always best, reused can be as good as new
- Design installs for demountabiliy
- Record and track key specified products



Living Materials Passports

General	(i)	Supplier Contact Details Manufacturer / Location Model / Product name Product Code (if applicable) Year of Installation End of Warranty	Troldtekt Steve James Mansell; sma@troldtekt.com Troldtekt / Troldhede, Denmark Troldtekt Plus - Ultrafine 75mm, Grey 202, 35+40mm mineral wool backing layer K5 - tbc 2024 2025		Typical Office Floors - Acoustically Absorbent ceiling
Components		Embodied Carbon A1-A3 Components & weight (kg/m²)	2.45 kgCO ₂ e/m² (panel) 1.32 kgCO ₂ e/m² (typical mineral wool) Cement bonded wood wool - 15.2 kg/m² Mineral wool - 2.8 kg/m² Non-toxic PVA adhesive - negigible	Recycled Content Coatings/Finishes Water Consumption (if applicable) Energy Consumption (if applicable)	0% Water based paint N/A N/A
Maintenance		Cleaning Replacement Parts	Regular cleaning with other surfaces and as required. Light cleaning of the panels is easy using a vacuum cleaner with a brush nozzle. If vacuum-cleaning is not sufficient, you can wipe the panels using a well wrung cloth. Replacement panels	Repair location (on site/locally/at factory) Repair carried out by Other maintenance Frequency	On site Building FM team N/A N/A
End of Life		Recyclable Content Take Back Scheme Take Back Scheme Details	100% (in US, check locally) In progress - check at point of deconstruction Contact Troldtekt at point of deconstruction	Fixing Method (e.g. screw type, adhesive, mechanical fixing) Deconstruction drawing/instructions	Fixed to wooden battens using screws Remove screws to separate from wooden battens

Case Study – ANZ Bank, London HQ





- 80% existing furniture remanufactured
- 560 other products sourced from repaired/ reused/ largely-reused items:
 - 19% 'reused with a clean' only
 - 27% reused via a full refurbished
 - 54% from substantially refurbished parts



Summary – Keeping products and materials in-use

Developers / Agents

- Don't commission CAT A
- Agree reasonable 'delaps'
- Offer existing items to new tenants

Suppliers

- 'Centralised' refresh, repair & remanufacture facilities
- Take-back & resell as business opportunity
- Industry collaboration to share reused materials?!

Clients / Occupiers

- Request strong sustainability brief check-in on it
- Accept reused products vs. 25-year warranties See products / materials as non-depreciating assets

Contractors:

- - Install for demountability ('Screw, Don't Glue')
 - Provide clear repair and reuse guides/ passports
 - Help everyone understand and share the risk

Project Managers

- Get the brief right! (No "match base-build BREEAM" PLEASE)
 - Set circular targets
- Programme for, and coordinate to, facilitate reuse

Collaborative Aim:

"Make Reuse Practical Again" (and profitable)







Peter Kelly Sustainability Manager, ISG

The critical elements of sustainable fit-out



The critical elements of sustainability in fit-out

Peter Kelly ISG



RIBA Stage 4



Solscovery VALUEREAL VALUE **IZATIO** ENGINEERING FILE OPTIMIZATION



Summary

Key success factors:

- Early engagement
- Clear objectives and KPIs
- Collaborative culture

Compromise:

 When it comes to sustainability, be clear on what you are willing to compromise on and what you are not

Success is not immediate

 It's a minimum of 12 months post completion before you know if you have been successful or not



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Panel Debate

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- Client would like to be challenged on their brief
- Better understanding of take back schemes
- More opportunities for early engagement



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