

# Member Case Study: Ockwells

## **Challenges:**

As the leading innovator of sustainable change in their industry, Ockwells is striving to make a positive impact in their construction supply chain by influencing more sustainable sourcing, manufacturing, and transporting of goods.



Collaboration within the construction industry is a key part of a successful supply chain, particularly when trying to offer new sustainable solutions. Ockwells are joining forces with their suppliers, manufacturers and customers to find more sustainable ways of working to positively impact their whole supply chain.

## **Impact:**

- Company approach: After Procurement Manager James Hubbard attended an Embedding Sustainable Procurement workshop, Ockwells produced a Sustainable Procurement strategy document. This policy was created using elements and knowledge gained from the workshop and is regularly presented to manufacturers and customers to highlight what Ockwells have and are looking to achieve. This strategy and focus on sustainability has had a positive impact on the way Ockwells view their supply chain.
- Industry insight: Ockwells have attended over 15 supplier days, numerous workshops and have enjoyed the opportunities to meet and engage with their customer base and peers.

## Value gained:

- Improved understanding: The School's resources have assisted Ockwells with improving their ways of working and sustainable offerings to their customer base.
- Implementing change: As a result of attending School workshops Ockwells have been able to create supporting documents which set out the goals and ambitions that Ockwells have, with offering more sustainable ways of working to both their manufacturers and customers. This has allowed Ockwells to start replacing products with higher CO2 emissions in their range, which is already leading to positive carbon reduction results.
- Networking opportunities: Attendance at the School events has provided
  Ockwells with valuable networking opportunities with key influencers and
  decision makers within the industry, with whom it would otherwise be less
  straightforward to interact with.
- Accessible learning: Ockwells have found the School's assessments easy to complete. Receiving a tailored action plan is particularly useful for Ockwells as the resources provided will benefit their efforts to becoming a more sustainable business.
- PR / comms opportunities: Ockwells are proud to be utilising the tools and resources the School provides and as such have included the School and their membership level in tender submissions to demonstrate their commitment and journey towards best practice in sustainability.

## Fact box

## OCKWELLS TEMPORARY SITE PROTECTION

## **Company**

Ockwells (part of SIG plc)

### **Employees**

>8,000 (part of SIG plc)

#### **Turnover**

£2,683m (part of SIG plc)

#### Website

www.ockwells.com

www.ockwellsmarine.com

#### **Main contacts**

James Hubbard, Procurement Manager

## **Services**

Suppliers of temporary site protection materials and site safety products to the building and marine industries.

#### **About**

Ockwells specialise in the distribution, manufacture, and development of temporary protection materials for use on construction sites for offices, public buildings, commercial, warehousing, private and public house building and building refurbishment.

Ockwells are committed to provide the best products and service possible and maintain its policy of continuous product development and innovation.





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## **Future Proofing:**

Going forward, Ockwells would like to see further and more frequent communication from the School with its members to highlight new resources and events.

Ockwells would also like for the School to create notifications for when assessments and reassessments are completed and when they are due to be completed.