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Refurbishment of Bridge-5 Mill Environmental Policy

From the outset, MERCi adopted an environmental policy for the refurbishment of Bridge-5 Mill. This policy applies to all construction work carried out by ourselves but also by sub-contractors.

Our refurbishment programme and the design of the centre sort to:

- Maximise the use of reclaimed materials, renewable energy sources and sustainable resources.
- Minimise energy use.
- Ensure minimum heat loss.
- Minimise waste generation.
- Minimise use of polluting fuel sources and methods.
- Avoid harmful and toxic materials especially PVC.
- Maximise health, comfort and safety of occupants and visitors to the centre.
- Use mechanisation with low maintenance, durable passive systems e.g. passive solar heating, natural lighting and air ventilation through design.
- Use high efficiency systems and equipment.
- Use water saving measures and recycle water.
- Use appropriate metering and feedback devices for all resource usage.
- Include environmental requirements at all stages of tendering from all parties involved in the refurbishment.

We choose building materials in the following order of preference:

- Non-toxic
- Reclaimed
- Renewable
- Locally produced
- Reusable
- Recycled
- Recyclable

This process was only made possible by ask suppliers to provide environmental and ethical information about their products and practices so that those which disregard the environment, human well-being or animal welfare were avoided.