

Harrow Green Limited

Harrow Green has been established as a commercial relocation and storage company for over 30 years and is headquartered in Silvertown E16, the heart of the Thames Gateway. They have a wide range of clients including public sector, major corporates, smaller offices and other commercial enterprises in London and across the UK. During the course of their business they frequently encounter huge volumes of waste which have been generated by workplace moves and which need to be sustainably managed.

Through their Refresh programme Harrow Green provides a full range of environmental services for the recycling, reuse, charitable donation and resale of no longer wanted assets such as furniture, IT and related equipment. Harrow Green relies on McGrath to fulfill specific elements of this service and delivers various office wastes at Barking up to eight times a day where relevant closed loop recycling techniques are available for all items:

- Timber is graded, shredded and reprocessed into chipboard or horticultural mulch
- Plastic components are removed, segregated and shredded for reprocessing into recycled plastic
- Paper and cardboard is sorted into various grades, pulped and reconstituted
- Potted plants are composted
- Metals are removed, sorted by type (ferrous or non-ferrous) and recycled

- WEEE items such as computer batteries are sorted and sent for specialist recycling
- Due to its composite nature, the constituent materials in MDF cannot easily be segregated so this material is assembled, baled and removed to create Energy from Waste.

McGrath's commitment to reducing energy, water and fuel consumption and associated carbon emissions helps Harrow Green to achieve its sustainable objectives.

Harrow Green was delighted to obtain The Planet Mark sustainability certification which demonstrated their commitment to continuous improvement in creating and implementing sustainable solutions. This certification is only awarded after a rigorous assessment of business activity and involvement in the community. The proximity of McGrath's Barking MRF to Harrow Green's transfer station and the option to tip 24/7 helps reduce cost and the carbon footprint. The rapid turnaround, accurate audit-trail, industry-leading recycling rates and comprehensive reporting service supplied by McGrath demonstrate Harrow Green's commitment.

Harrow Green was Highly Commended in the Newham Chamber of Commerce Business Awards in the Green Business category which recognised the company's genuine efforts to be a sustainable business. Client: Harrow Green Limited

MRF Facilities and Recycling Services

Duration: Ongoing

Start Date: September 2011

Recycling/Recovery rates: 97.9%



McGrath are a great partner for us as they play a very important role in helping us to be a green business. Moving makes our clients take stock of their furniture, equipment and other items and they often find there are things they want to get rid of but in a sustainable way, avoiding landfill and meeting their own green objectives. Working with McGrath helps us to create these recycling solutions for our clients