

A pioneering social business group, 'parent' EMERGE 3Rs is a registered charity with trading arms social enterprise EMERGE Recycling. We exist to promote the idea and practice of the *real* '3Rs' of waste reduction, reuse and recycling, and the wider concepts of resource efficiency and sustainable consumption. Grown from a voluntary initiative in 1996, "East Manchester Environment & Resources Group Emerge", EMERGE continues to be based in the post-industrial heartlands of East Manchester on New Smithfield Wholesale Market. The Group currently employs 33 local people, has over 45 regular volunteers and work placements, and as an open membership entity, has a wide range of individual and organisational supporters.

Our core values are community inclusion and waste prevention with the wider purpose of improving local social, economic and environmental conditions.



We seek to achieve this 'triple bottom line' approach through provision of training, work experience, opportunities and delivery of services and activities. EMERGE works with public bodies, private companies, educational establishments, community and voluntary organisations.

You can benefit from comprehensive collections of dry recyclables including glass, metal, all grades of paper and card, plastic bottles, toner cartridges, confidential shredding, batteries, light bulbs, textiles and shoes as do our 900+ customers in Greater Manchester. If you produce WEEE (waste electrical and electronic equipment) such as IT, we can take all this from you; we also offer recycling and reuse opportunities for office furniture and redundant wood from construction/demolition sites. We provide full legal and data security compliance for companies.

EMERGE can offer you waste advice as well as waste auditing with composition analysis for organisations.

Building on previous programmes of environmental volunteering we can offer 'Carbon Literacy' aka 'Food & the Environment' training helping you with waste reduction and sustainable consumption initiatives. We also offer Corporate Volunteering opportunities...

We run a FareShare redistribution centre in partnership with the national charity; as sub-regional hub, we receive surplus in-date food from the food industry and redistribute it to organisations that support individuals and families in need across Greater Manchester and the surrounding areas. We offer 'Love Food Hate Waste' sessions and have a voluntary Learning and Demonstration Garden which seeks to inspire and motivate the local and wider community to 'grow your own' vegetables and fruit. We support gleaning activities working with regional farms and traders on New Smithfield Market under our 'Too Good to Waste' initiative.



Our 'Touch Wood' timber recycling and reuse service collects redundant timber which we sell on to the public; our Touch Wood workshop provides work experience and training courses on woodwork upcycling and 'repurposing' reclaimed timber. We act as an agent for the National

Community Wood Recycling Project as well as collecting and salvaging construction wood waste.

EMERGE is open to partnership working and developing new opportunities and mentoring for CSR activities and to other social enterprises where feasible. For more information please check out our website: www.emergemanchester.co.uk or contact us on 0161 223 8200.