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# Making business more sustainable, innovative, less wasteful & more charitable









MAKE A DIFFERENCE



## We should all strive to be more socially and environmentally conscious in business...

Increased consumer awareness has led to businesses embracing Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) practices. It's all about the impact of creating a sustainable, environmentally conscious business; one which takes appropriate steps to reduce your carbon footprint, as well as tackle waste, encourage employee development, and care about the community you live and work in. It's about developing your business into one that is forward-thinking and attractive to potential and current employees. CSR statistics for 2022 reveal the following:

- 67% of respondents prefer to work for socially inclined companies
- Up to 50% of millennials would take a pay cut to work for a more socially responsible company
- Philanthropic companies are more likely to be trusted by consumers

It's not a new concept. During the Industrial Revolution, several corporations demonstrated their support to their employees and the local community. Pioneers such as Cadbury built villages, parks, and community centres away from the city slums to increase well-being and motivation. Today, global organisations such as Google, Xerox, BMW, and Lego have an excellent reputation for looking after their staff, along with ethical business practices such as reducing energy consumption, refining production processes, and encouraging volunteering within communities.

We demonstrate our commitment to CSR in several ways. And we're full of ideas to help you enhance your current CSR practices too.





# How you can become a more environmentally friendly business

We endeavour to provide you with a range of products and services to help you become a more sustainable, environmentally friendly business. By adopting a professional shredding service, recycling paper, and toner cartridges, and purchasing sustainable products such as eco office supplies and facilities, businesses can demonstrate commitment to helping the environment through business practices.

### Discover our range of environmentally friendly services and products:



We collect your confidential waste when we deliver your office supplies and ensure it is recycled to prevent it ended up in landfill



We can recycle all your nonconfidential paper waste too, along with your used ink and toners (all proceeds are donated to charity)



We have an everexpanding range of eco products available to help reduce your carbon footprint and which don't cost the earth



Don't need it the next day? Switch to our Smarter Delivery Service and we'll consolidate your orders and deliver everything together

Find out more about our sustainable solutions www.aston-james.co.uk/csr-sustainability





# Encouraging the formation of new ideas is vital for any team

Taking the time to listen to every viewpoint (however random!) will make each employee feel valued and sustain an excellent team. It's essential to create a working environment that inspires brainstorming and collaboration. Our range of modern and stylish furniture along with our office planning service will help you create an inviting workplace helping to make your offices more appealing and comfortable places to come to each day. Designing breakout areas, fresh canteens or kitchens, and meeting spaces will all contribute to workplace wellness, helping everyone reach their potential.

#### Discover our range of solutions for innovation



For the ultimate collaboration of ideas, you need products to support you. We have a huge range geared towards creating the perfect environment to fuel brainstorming and fresh ideas in your meetings



Flexible working environments demand different types of furniture. Our selection of office, canteen, or breakout furniture helps you create an environment that encourages productivity



Need help creating that perfect working environment? We work closely with you to create spaces that reflect your company ethos to give you appealing workspaces that everyone is proud to use

Find out more about our innovative solutions www.aston-james.co.uk/csr-innovation





# Reduce your waste to protect the environment & be more efficient

Disposing of business waste is expensive, and even more reason to reduce it wherever possible. Helping everyone at work become less wasteful needn't be a chore. Simple changes can have a big effect. From purchasing a range of clearly labelled recycling bins to buying re-useable catering items such as cutlery, mugs, and water bottles all help everyone to cut down on waste and single-use plastics. Recyclable catering supplies & washroom products are available too. You could also look to buy items such as tea, coffee, and cold drinks in bulk to cut down on packaging as well as delivery charges.

#### Discover our range of services and products that help you reduce business waste:

### Sustainable Packaging



We stock many innovative recyclable packaging options along with clever plastic-free products. Your deliveries arrive in recycled or reusable packaging too. We're committed to zero waste to landfill

#### Donate Old Furniture



On receipt of new furniture, we can donate your unwanted office furniture & supplies locally to charities. Less waste to landfill, more to good causes

#### Streamline Procurement



Not only will consolidating your supply chain save man hours processing multiple invoices, but it will also save packaging and van miles, both of which will reduce your carbon footprint. All our supplier warehouses have a zero waste to landfill policy too

Find out more about our solutions to reduce waste www.aston-james.co.uk/csr-waste





#### Get involved and help those most in need in the world

One key part of CSR is about encouraging engagement in the community. Here at Aston & James, we have chosen to support a variety of different charities and invite you to help us do so.

### Here are some of the ways Aston & James invites you to support local causes:

#### Recycle and Raise



Our free and award-winning ink and toner collection service help you cut your business's CO2 emissions. However, as many units, as you have, we will dispose of these responsibly. We provide recycling bins which we will collect when we deliver your order. All proceeds go to the local charity SeeSaw

#### Donate your Old Coats



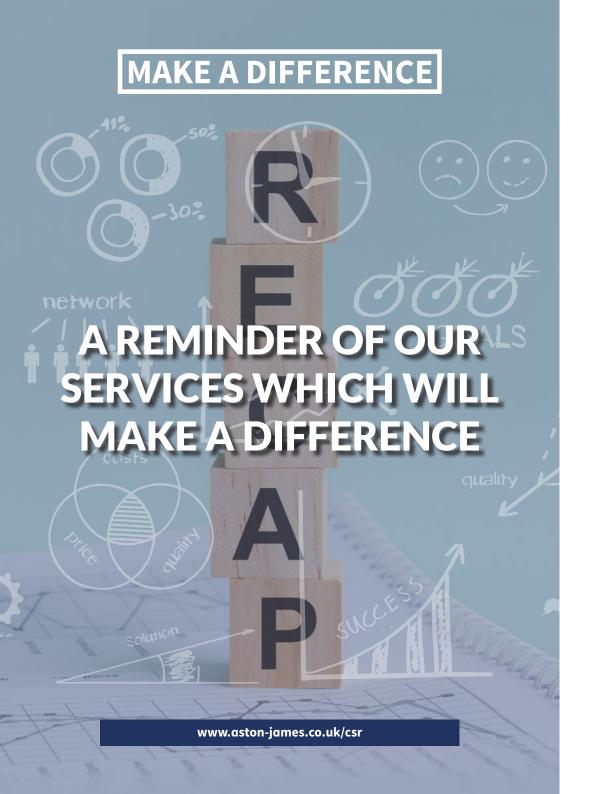
Whilst most of us enjoy the luxury of heat and shelter when the weather turns, there are many people in Oxfordshire that are forced to be homeless. Our 100Coats appeal is now in its fifth year. Thanks to your generosity we've donated over 1000 coats to local homeless charities in Oxfordshire

#### Keeping Hearts Beating



We are working with
Keeping Hearts Beating
to raise money for the
provision of defibrillators
in our local community.
With every purchase from
our Health & Safety range,
we donate a percentage
to Keeping Hearts Beating
to contribute to the
purchase of vital lifesaving
equipment for Witney.

Find out more about our charitable activities www.aston-james.co.uk/100-coats









Streamlined procurement, sustainable packaging, recycling and donating unwanted office items



Find out more about our commitment to CSR www.aston-james.co.uk/csr





### Book your free CSR consultation today

We'd love to show you how we can help make your business more sustainable, innovative, less wasteful & more charitable

There are many ways we can add instant value to your business. Our team is full of ideas to offer you the best impartial guidance and advice on our range of CSR solutions and products

We'd love the chance to help add value to your business. Book your free consultation **www.aston-james.co.uk/csr** or get in touch with a member of the team:

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