

## Group Water Policy

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### 1. Introduction

- 1.1. We acknowledge that water is a vital natural resource which is becoming scarcer as a result of an increasing population, changing climate and growing demand. We recognise the interconnectedness of climate change, water, nature and biodiversity.
- 1.2. We are committed to effective water stewardship throughout our supply chain to ensure water is available as a priority to meet the human right to water, maintain the functionality of ecosystems, and maximise the efficient use of water for agricultural and industrial purposes.

### 2. Governance

- 2.1. The ESG Committee, attended by all Board members, drives our Second Nature strategy which includes addressing water risks.
- 2.2. Water performance is reviewed monthly at a site level, by the Senior Management Teams, and subsequently reported quarterly at board level.
- 2.3. Essential information, resources and training will be allocated to meet water objectives, ensuring ongoing effectiveness of the integrated management system and driving continuous improvement of water performance.
- 2.4. This policy will be reviewed annually by the Head of Sustainability.

### 3. Commitments and Objectives

- 3.1. To ensure, as a minimum, compliance with all applicable environmental regulations, which includes water abstraction and effluent discharge.
- 3.2. To make Y-O-Y site water efficiency improvements via annual targets defined by sites, through innovation and investment.
- 3.3. To complete, and review annually, a water assessment including water scarcity, for each site to establish if any site is in a water stressed area. This is to be established through the WRI Aqueduct Water Risk Atlas and WWF Water Risk Filter.
- 3.4. Water risks (e.g. scarcity and stress) to be considered within the Risk Management Framework to ensure that controls are in place to manage any risks highlighted. These are reviewed through the Risk Committee on a quarterly basis as required and reported annually within our Annual Report and Account's TCFD report.
- 3.5. To support the human right to water and sanitation, by ensuring all our sites provide access to clean water and sanitation to our employees and ensuring our operations do not compromise local communities' human right to water and sanitation.

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- 3.6. To measure and monitor water usage within our farms, so that water can be used effectively, whilst maintaining the 5 freedoms of animal welfare.
- 3.7. To implement effective manure management practices so that contaminants do not enter water systems.
- 3.8. To communicate to our supply chain our expectations for good water stewardship, including setting water reduction targets and to support them where practicable.
- 3.9. To remain signatories of the UK Food and Drink Pact and the WRAP Water Roadmap.
- 3.10. To continue our representation on the WRAP Water Roadmap oversight committee to drive water stewardship within the industry.

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