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Sustainable Timber

As our forests are under constant threat from over exploitation and responsible procurement practices are now central to many of our clients' procurement policies, Galliford Try is committed to taking reasonable measures to ensure that our supply chain provides us with timber products from sustainably managed forests (see our Environmental Policy). This commitment supports our clients' needs and allows us to play our part in reducing deforestation impacts that contributes to climate change, biodiversity loss, soil erosion and adverse flooding. We have procedures within our [BMS](#) (i.e., Resource Management) to support our policy but it's incumbent upon us all to make sure that we only procure sustainable timber / timber products.

Our performance

We buy our timber products via our supply chain from a variety of sources, namely from:

- ***Sustainably managed forests.*** To be confident that our timber products come from these forests all parties handling timber in the supply chain should either be FSC¹ and / or PEFC² certified i.e., full FSC / PEFC chain of custody is evident.
- ***Legal and sustainable sources.*** This is where our supplier / subcontractor does not have FSC / PEFC certification but evidence is available to demonstrate that they obtained their timber products from FSC / PEFC certified sources (i.e., ultimately from a sustainably managed forest).
- ***Reclaimed sources.*** This is where we use reclaimed timber products.
- ***Legally felled.*** This is where there is no FSC / PEFC chain of custody evidence but documentation has been provided that confirms the timber was legally felled.
- ***Unknown or uncertified sources.*** This is the worst case scenario and means that we do not know from where our timber products emanate.

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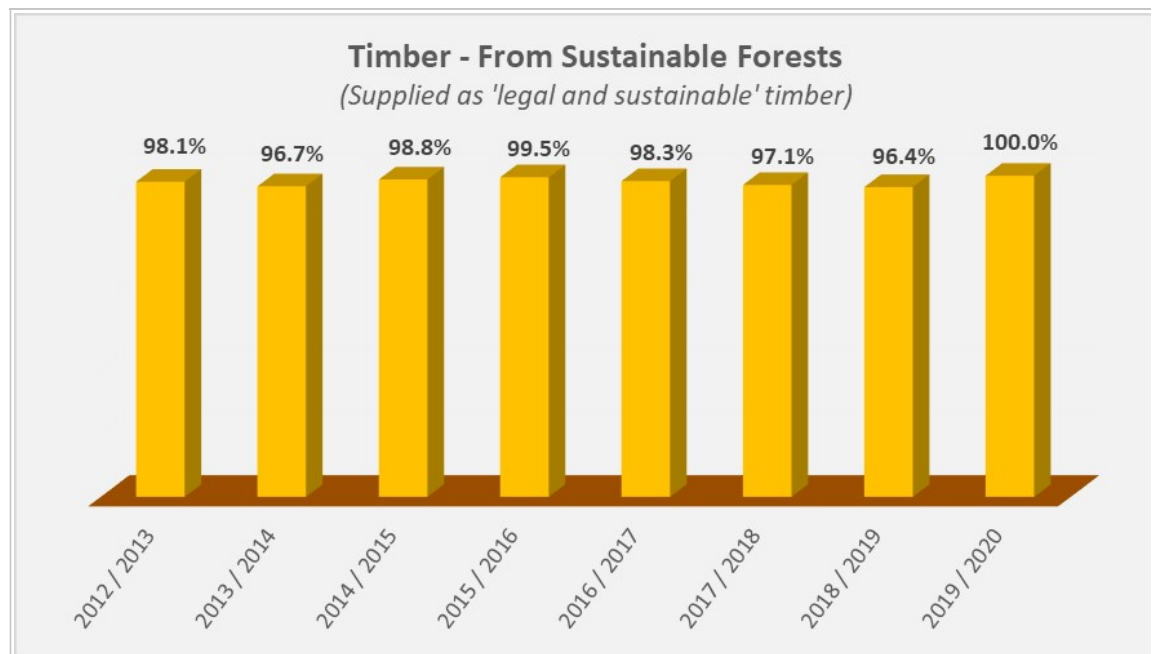
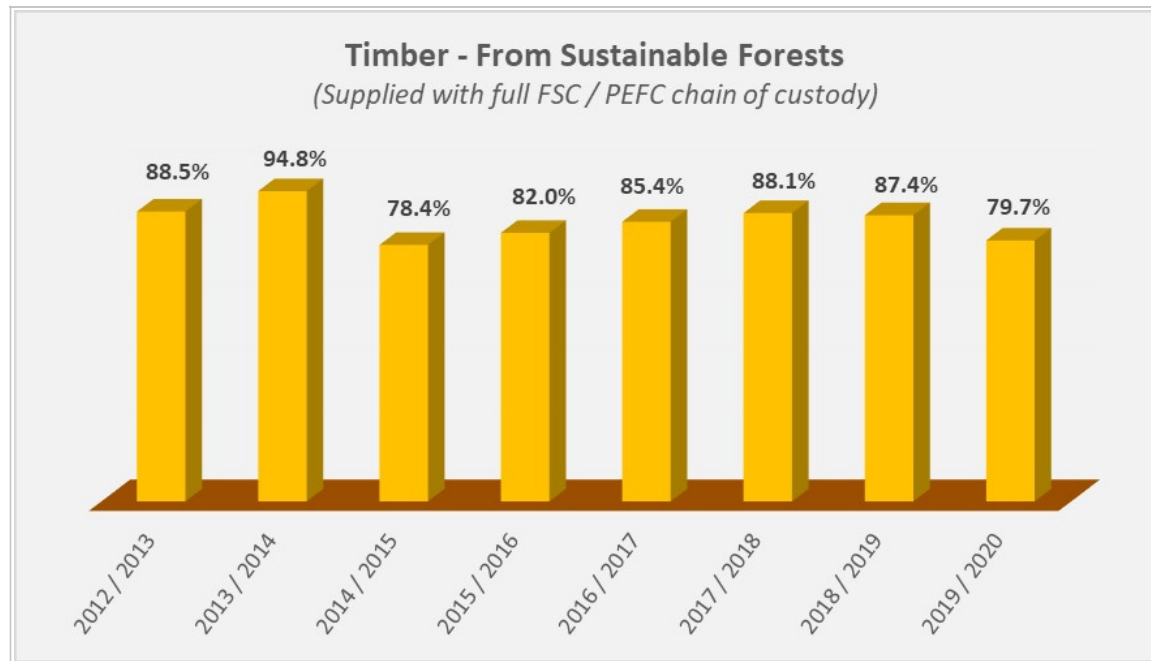


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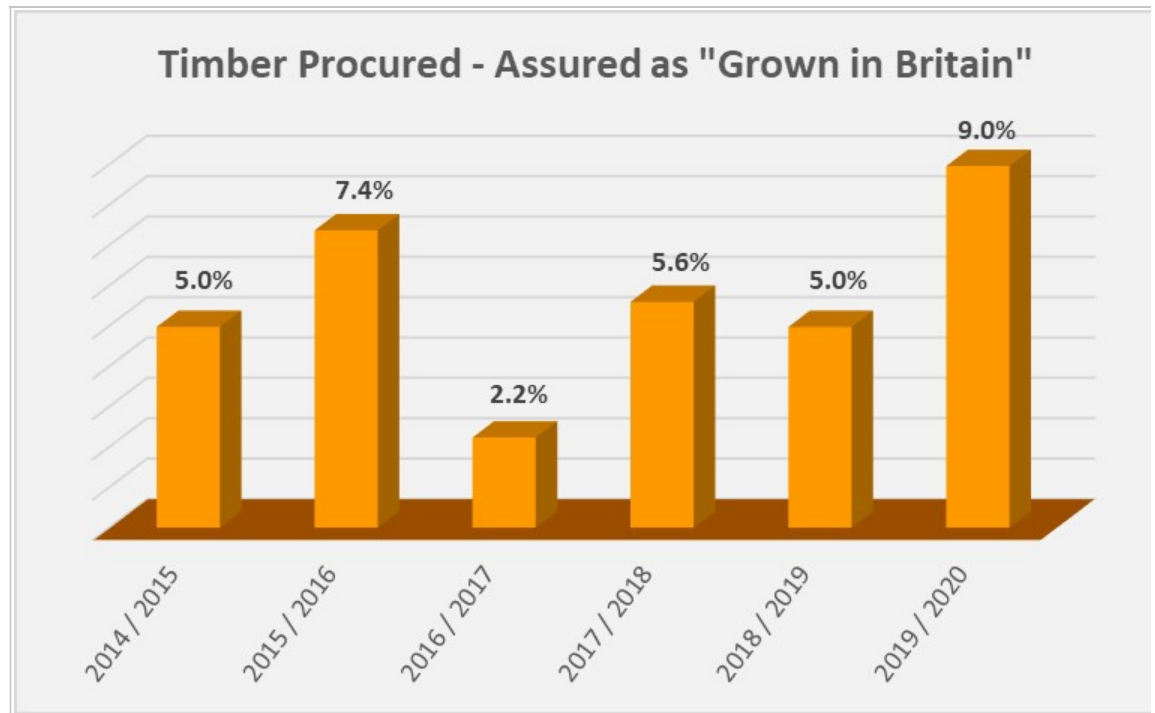
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In our 2019 / 2020 financial year, we procured 3,297m³ of timber products of which 79.7% was supplied with full FSC / PEFC chain of custody (i.e., from sustainably managed forests) and 100% was supplied as 'legal and sustainable' (i.e., our direct supply chain procured their timber from those who were FSC / PEFC certified even though they were not FSC / PEFC certified).

The main area where we can improve is by continually encouraging our direct supply chain to gain FSC / PEFC certification to reduce the amount of timber products supplied as 'legal and sustainable', the majority of which is supplied via our non-Group preferred suppliers and subcontractors.

Another area where we can improve is by the procurement of locally sourced timber products by specifying and procuring British timber, wherever possible. So, when we are placing orders with timber product suppliers or subcontractors we should encourage the procurement of products that carry the [Grown in Britain](#) licence and logo, which will help to increase the amount of managed woodlands across our country that will enhance biodiversity, reduce climate change and localised flooding as well as improving our landscapes.



In our 2019 / 2020 financial year, 9% of our timber products were supplied as Grown in Britain the majority of which was supplied via our non-Group preferred suppliers and subcontractors.

For more detailed information about our sustainable timber performance broken down by Division and Business Unit, please review our calendar quarter sustainable timber performance reports that can be found [here](#).

Additionally, the Infrastructure Division has successfully maintained FSC and PEFC certification, as a key client requirement, through regular external audits of our systems and procedures via BM Trada.

Following the divestiture of GT Partnerships and Regeneration and Linden Homes the volumes of timber products procured by Galliford Try has reduced significantly. Consequently, a [paper](#) was submitted to the Executive Board that was approved on July 6th 2020, which has resulted in Galliford Try discontinuing with the reporting of our sustainable timber performance following closure of the 2019 / 2020 financial year.

Your role

Procurement and site teams are key to further improving our sustainable timber performance, which can be achieved by:

- **Procurement Teams:**
 - Encouraging our timber product suppliers and subcontractors to gain FSC / PEFC certification
 - Encouraging the procurement of timber products that carry the Grown in Britain licence and logo
 - Avoid, where possible, the specification and use of tropical hardwoods or products containing tropical hardwoods (including plywood) unless there is a specific need and / or they are requested by our clients
 - Ensuring all our timber product suppliers and subcontractors provide quarterly sustainable timber performance reports, according to our internal reporting processes.
- **Site Teams:**
 - Reviewing timber product delivery notes to ensure all supplied timber products are covered under the scope of suppliers' FSC / PEFC certification

- Rejecting timber products that are not covered by suppliers' or subcontractors' FSC / PEFC certification unless pre-authorised by senior management
- Requesting FSC / PEFC replacement timber products from the supplier or subcontractor if non-certified materials have been rejected.

¹ Forest Stewardship Council

² The Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification

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