



## Packaging that doesn't cost the Earth

Planglow is a recognised market leader for the supply of paper-based products to the catering industry. Our products include; labels, bags, food to go packaging and bio cups.

As an organisation we place a strong emphasis on our company's philosophy of quality, service and efficiency, underpinned by our strong environmental practices. This is highlighted by our Corporate Environmental Policy Statement, as well as the internal policies we have in place to reduce the impact we have on our environment.

### The Facts

Statistics show that in the UK alone we use over 5 million tonnes of plastic annually. It is estimated that from the total plastic waste only 17% is recycled leaving 83% to remain in landfill for hundreds of years. That's not to mention the fossil fuels used to make them and the pollution generated. For this reason Planglow has made a firm commitment to provide its customers with an eco-friendly alternative to plastics that doesn't cost the earth \*

### Adding Value

One of the main arguments against the use of cardboard packaging has always been the additional cost; however, offering environmentally friendly packaging is becoming an increasingly important selling point, enabling you to make a statement about your environmental stance as well as appealing to increasingly ethical consumers. What's more, customers associate cardboard packaging with a fresher, premium product allowing you to increase your prices and still enjoy a higher flow of customers \*



“ All of our packaging is 100% biodegradable and fully compostable ”

When you purchase any Planglow product you can be assured that you have chosen one which aims to be environmentally friendly in all aspects, whilst delivering the most suitable product solution.

Below, we have highlighted the environmental benefits for each of our products:

#### Paper-based Products

The majority of our products are paper-based; this includes our bags, menu paper, shelf-edge tickets and our matt and gloss labels. This means that they will biodegrade in a composting environment. It also means that they are suitable for recycling \*

#### Packaging made from plants

All of our packaging is made from 100% compostable and biodegradable materials, even the clear window film is derived from renewable plants rather than oil based plastic. It is our aim that all Planglow packaging products will be laminated with a home-compostable film which will also improve product freshness, prevent grease-marks and unsightly leakages. The plant based laminate is fully certified to the European (EN13432) and American (ASTM D6400) norms for compostable packaging by Vinçotte, Din Certco and the BPI. It is also certified as home compostable and will biodegrade in a waste water environment \*

All of our packaging has been fully tested and is compliant with standard consumer safety specifications.

#### Natural Bio Cups and Lids

Planglow's Natural Bio Cups were one of the first 100% compostable and biodegradable hot cups on the market, designed to benefit the environment as well as the discerning coffee lover. Available in 8, 12 and 16oz the cups are double walled with a ridged surface that keeps drinks hot but your hands cool, eliminating the need for an additional sleeve \*

#### Bio-coated cups

The Natural Bio Cup is lined with a food safe, plant based, bio-coating, which complies with the European Standard EN13432 and the American ASTM D6400 standard for compostability. The wood fibre used is sourced from FSC Certified responsibly managed forests. To complete the eco-offering Planglow also supply a high quality fully certified compostable lid suitable for hot drinks \*

#### Sustainable Forestry

All of our product suppliers are commissioned for their own pro-active environmental best practice. Most importantly, the board and plant based laminate are sourced from international paper mills that fully manage sustainable and renewable plantations \*



# Product Environmental Statement



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