

# Carbon Reduction Plan

Supplier name: Sunderland Counselling Service

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## Commitment to achieving Net Zero

Sunderland Counselling Service is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2050.

## Baseline Emissions Footprint

Baseline emissions are a record of the greenhouse gases that have been produced in the past and were produced prior to the introduction of any strategies to reduce emissions. Baseline emissions are the reference point against which emissions reduction can be measured.

<b>Baseline Year: 2024-25</b>	
<b>Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.</b>	
<p>Scope 1: Green energy supplier for gas heating our building with Pozitive energy</p> <p>Scope2: Green energy supplier for electricity, 100% renewable energy with positive energy, recently installed LED lighting to maintain the reduction of low energy usage in our building</p> <p>Scope 3: Includes; Business travel for staff training and development, Goods and Services includes; office furniture for our counselling rooms and facilities, paper for printing, notebooks and staff diaries, plastic pens and food for training events. Capital goods; mobile phones, monitors and computer equipment.</p>	
<b>Baseline year emissions:</b>	
<b>EMISSIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL (tCO<sub>2</sub>e)</b>
<b>Scope 1</b>	0.9130
<b>Scope 2</b>	0
<b>Scope 3</b> (Included Sources)	26.498
<b>Total Emissions</b>	27.4

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### Current Emissions Reporting

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Scope 2	0
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<b>Total Emissions</b>	<b>27.4</b>

### Emissions reduction targets

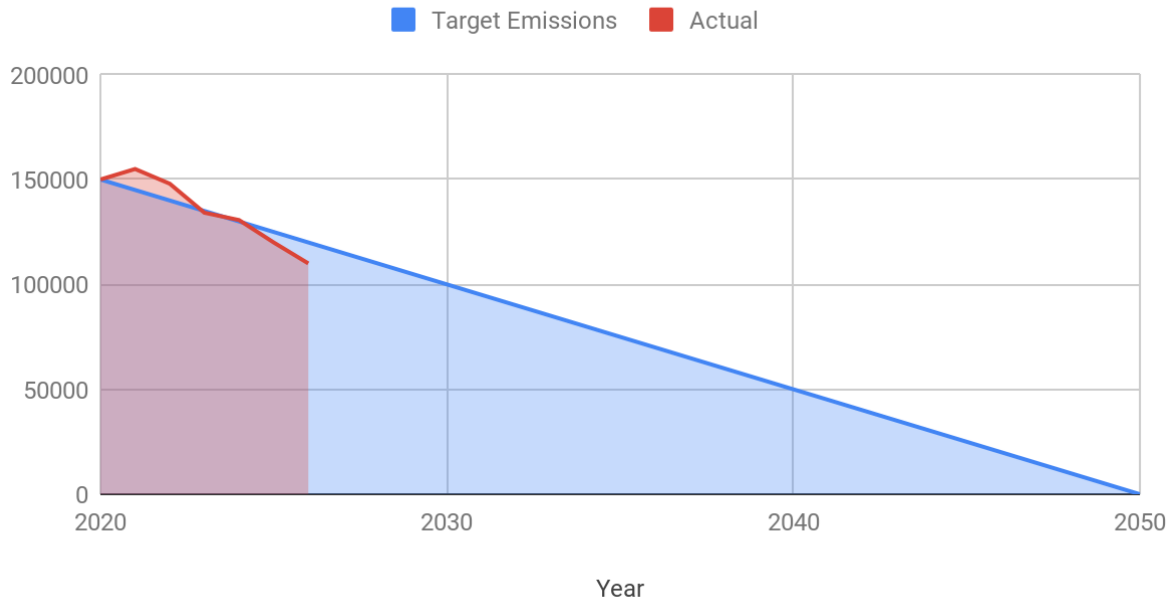
In order to continue our progress to achieving Net Zero, we have adopted the following carbon reduction targets.

We project that carbon emissions will decrease over the next five years to 21.92 tCO<sub>2</sub>e by 2030. This is a reduction of 20%.

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Progress against these targets can be seen in the graph below:

### Carbon Reduction: Projected vs. Actual



## Carbon Reduction Projects

### Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives

We have recently completed the installation of new lighting and this has been included in the baseline. The responsibility for our Carbon Reduction Plan is held at Board level and will be discussed and reviewed annually as a minimum.

A dedicated member of staff is responsible for driving progress towards our targets.

We have switched to renewable energy tariffs, and will continue to use these.

All of these improvements will be in effect when performing the contract.

In the future we hope to implement further measures such as:

At all times we are seeking to improve building efficiency and have recently replaced a lift.

To reduce energy use all staff are instructed to turn off computers and monitors when not in use.

We will review all use of office accommodation.

In all instances we seek to reuse equipment throughout the organisation and recycle.

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We will continue to offer a blended offer of service including face to face, telephone and secure video conferencing to reduce both staff and service user travel.

Public transport or shared transport options will be considered when seeking new venues for services or events.

A subsidized cycle purchase scheme is available to all staff.

Care closer to home will be considered in the development of new services, always based on high quality evidence of need.

Our buy Sunderland policy will be followed in relation to the Supply Chain whenever possible.

### Declaration and Sign Off

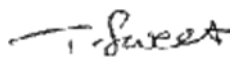
This Carbon Reduction Plan has been completed in accordance with PPN 06/21 and associated guidance and reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans.

Emissions have been reported and recorded in accordance with the published reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans and the GHG Reporting Protocol corporate standard<sup>1</sup> and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting<sup>2</sup>.

Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions have been reported in accordance with SECR requirements, and the required subset of Scope 3 emissions have been reported in accordance with the published reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans and the Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Standard<sup>3</sup>.

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been reviewed and signed off by the board of directors (or equivalent management body).

### Signed on behalf of the Supplier:



Date: 7 October 2024

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<sup>1</sup><https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/government-conversion-factors-for-company-reporting>

<sup>3</sup><https://ghgprotocol.org/standards/scope-3-standard>