

Carbon Reduction Plan

Supplier Name: County Foods Publication Date: August 2024.

Version: Version 5- Update with the Climate Essentials Report and reviewed by their Head of Climate Science

Commitment to achieving Net Zero

County Foods is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2039.

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.

Baseline emissions for County Foods have been calculated, by using a "Business Carbon Calculator" generated by Normative in the first instance. This baseline information has been generated before the introduction of any strategies to reduce emissions.

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Baseline Year: 2023/24 (1st March 2023 to 29th February 2024)

Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.

Emissions data has not been published in previous years; therefore, the start of our Carbon Reduction began in 2024. It is worthy of note that County Foods has already invested heavily in the generation of electricity through solar power, the installation of some LED lighting and the investment in Hybrid vehicles. In April 2024 County Foods signed up to a "Climate Essential" programme via Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole (BCP) council to further our journey to Net Zero.

The carbon emissions reported for the 2023/2024 period correspond to our baseline emissions as this is the first year we are conducting a carbon accounting exercise.

Previous to our baseline emissions, we had implemented the following mitigation actions: County Foods is zero waste to landfill.

County Foods already uses a heat recovery system to heat water.



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Category 4- Upstream Transportation	0	
Category 5- Waste generated in operations	6.96	
Category 6 – Business travels	0.47	
Category 6 – Employee commuting	46.24	
Category 9 – Downstream Transportation	0	
TOTAL EMISSIONS	294.15	

Current Emissions Reporting

Reporting Year: 2023/24 (1st March 2023 to 29th February 2024)

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Emissions Reduction Targets

To continue our progress towards achieving Net Zero, we have adopted the following carbon reduction targets.

Interim Target Before 2030

We project that carbon emissions will decrease over the next five years to 258 tCO2e by 2029. This is a reduction of 12.2%

Target by 2034 (10 years)

We project that carbon emissions will decrease over the next eight years to 136 tCO2e by 2032. This is a reduction of **53.7%** from our baseline year.

Carbon Reduction Projects

In the future, we hope to implement the following measures:

Strategy and Employees

- Utilisation of a Carbon Reporting Tool to accurately record our carbon emissions. COMPLETE May
 2024
- 2. Start an employee engagement program.

COMPLETE

Oct 2024

3. Review the implementation of a homeworking policy. COMPLETE

Oct 2024

4. Carbon offsetting as required, for a maximum of 10% of our baseline emissions. The carbon credits will be bought from official providers, for projects that have been verified to be real, additional, measurable, and verifiable, following the Oxford principles of Carbon Offsetting. Maximum 29 credits

Energy

- 5. Introduce a "Switch Off" plan to encourage the turning off equipment used overnight. COMPLETE Oct 2024. LED lighting installed in the canteen in February 2025. COMPLETE
- 6. Review our electricity supplier to procure power from renewable sources. May 2028
- 7. Install "off" switches for the fans in the butchery so they can be turned off after production finishes. Feb 2025. Not economically viable. The temperature rise and the energy required to bring the area temperature down outweighs any benefit. Also, the extra stress on the plant may cause other concerns.
- 8. Install thermal curtains on all entrances & exits in chilled areas.

COMPLETE

Aug 2024

9. Complete the conversion to LED lighting in all areas of the factory.

Sept 2026

10. Install further solar panels to increase self-generated electricity (61.2 kW)

Jan 2028

11. Install "Endocubes" in all fridges to mimic the product temperature rather than the air temp to reduce the running time on the fridges

COMPLETE

Oct
2024

Procurement

12. Review all packaging used to move to all recyclables. **pouches suitable are available.**

May 2025. Currently no vacuum



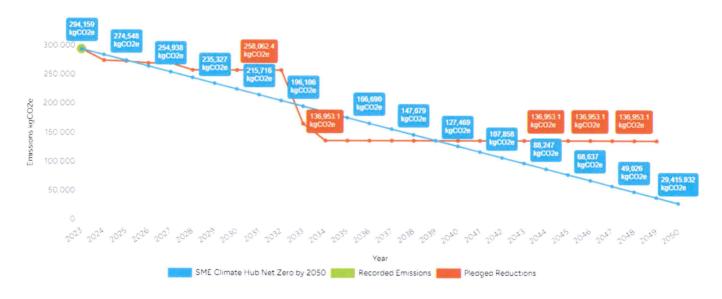
13. Reduce stock holding in the main freezer to enable the removal of one of the existing inefficient containers. TBC

Transport

14. Move to electric delivery vans when suitable vehicles are available, we anticipate this to be around 2033.

Progress against these targets

Note: As 2023/2024 is our baseline year, projected carbon reductions have been calculated based on our Carbon Reduction Plan:



Carbon Reduction Projects

Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives

The following environmental management measures and projects have been completed or implemented before our baseline was established.

- Zero waste to landfill (Waste to Energy)
- Heat recovery system to heat water.
- Renewable energy onsite via 168 solar modules (395W) 66.36kW
- Implementation of Hybrid Vehicles for owned fleet.



Declaration and Sign Off

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been completed following PPN 06/21 requirements, with the support of BCP and the Climate Essentials program.

Emissions have been reported and recorded in accordance with the published reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans and the GHG Reporting protocols Standard and used the appropriate Government emissions conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting.

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 published reporting standard for Carbon Reduction Plans.

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been reviewed by the Managing Director and was verified by the Head of Climate Science at Climate Essentials.

Signed on behalf of the Supplier:

...... Doron Krips – Managing Director

- 1 Guidance on adopting and applying PPN 06/21: Selection criteria (HTML) GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
- 2 Log in | Business Carbon Calculator (normative.io)