

# **Evolve Carbon Reduction Plan**

Supplier name: Evolve Commercial Ltd

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#### **Commitment to achieving Net Zero**

Evolve Commercial Ltd is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2030.

#### **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 Year: FY 2020/21		
Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.		
Our Baseline Year was taken from our first full year of operation. Both the Pandemic, and the low headcount of 8, mean the total emissions figures were low for the year.		
Baseline year emissions:		
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	
Scope 1	0	
Scope 2	0	
Scope 3	20.67	
(Included Sources)	(Business Travel – Land; Hotel Stays; Homeworking)	
Total Emissions	20.67	

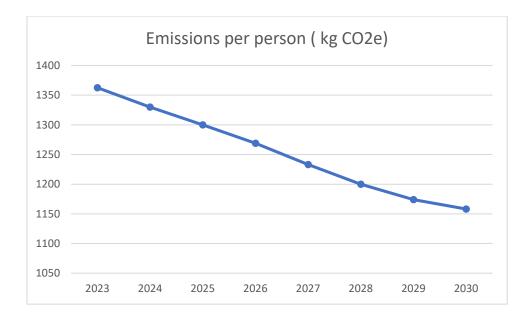
# **Current Emissions Reporting**

Reporting Year: FY 2022/23		
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	
Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.		
Current year emissions are lower than baseline despite our increase in headcount and travel; this is driven by the change in the emissions factor for calculating homeworking emissions.		
Scope 1	0	
Scope 2	0	
Scope 3 (Included Sources)	13.41 (Business Travel – Land; Hotel Stays; Homeworking)	
Total Emissions	13.41	

# **Emissions reduction targets**

We believe that due to being a digitally native organisation, our emissions figures are already low relative to our size. Going forward, we anticipate that our growth will likely be an upward driving factor in our emissions. Our Carbon Reduction Projects mentioned in the next section will strive to negate any increase in emissions, as well as offset them with the aim of reaching Net Zero by 2030. Therefore, by 2030, our Scope 3 emissions will likely see a minor increase, but with increased headcount our aim is to reduce emissions per employee by 15%. Our total Carbon footprint will go on a downward trend due to our commitment to Carbon Offsetting.

Projected progress against these targets can be seen in the graph below:



# **Carbon Reduction Projects**

#### **Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives**

The following environmental management measures and projects have been completed or implemented since the 2020 baseline. The carbon emission reduction achieved by these schemes equates to 20 tCO2e, a 100% reduction against the 2020 baseline.

As the above figures illustrate, in 2020 we made considerable progress towards our Net Zero target by offsetting almost all of our emissions via ClimateCare's Carbon Offsetting Programme. We realise that our upward growth trend and increase in commuting means a more aggressive stance must be taken on Carbon Reduction and Offsetting – our measures going forward are as outlined below.

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

- Further commitment to ClimateCare's Carbon Offsetting Programmes Evolve pledge to engage in Nature-based solutions (NBS) carbon offset projects, which protect and enhance biodiversity to ensure our planet thrives. NBS projects avoid and reduce emissions through nature conservation and nature restoration. By 2025, we aim to offset all of our unavoidable emissions via NBS.
- 2. Sustainable Travel through internal policy and training, we shall endeavour to ensure rail travel is the default means of Business Commuting as they emit 80% less greenhouse gasses per km. Also, we aim to encourage means of reducing car emissions where it is the only available mode of transport. For example, we will encourage car sharing wherever possible, and where hire cars are used, we will push to utilise firms who offset the carbon emissions of each trip.
- 3. Green Perks By 2030, we will look to implement numerous perks and benefits which reduce our Carbon Footprint. We currently have a cycle to work scheme which is being utilised by several employees and, as of 2023, we have held a consultation of a salary sacrifice scheme for electric cars. Our journey towards Net Zero will see our offering of green perks and benefits grow. We believe a big step towards reducing emissions is incentivising our employees to do so.

### **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:

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Date: 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup><u>https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;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