



Cabinet Office

Carbon Reduction Plan guidance

Notes for completion

Where an in-scope organisation has determined that the measure applies to the procurement, suppliers wishing to bid for that contract are required, as a condition of participation, to submit a CRP which details their organisational carbon footprint and confirms their commitment to achieving net zero by 2050.

CRPs are to be completed by the bidding supplier and must meet the reporting requirements set out in supporting guidance and include the supplier's current carbon footprint and its commitment to reducing emissions to achieve net zero emissions by 2050.¹¹

The CRP should be specific to the bidding entity, or, provided certain criteria are met, may cover the bidding entity and its parent organisation. In order to ensure the CRP remains relevant, a CRP covering the bidding entity and its parent organisation is only permissible where the detailed requirements of the CRP are met in full, as set out in the Technical Standard¹² and Guidance, and all of the following criteria are met:

- the bidding entity is wholly owned by the parent
- the commitment to achieving net zero by 2050 for UK operations is set out in the CRP for the parent and is supported and adopted by the bidding entity, demonstrated by the inclusion in the CRP of a statement that this will apply to the bidding entity
- the environmental measures set out are stated to be able to be applied by the bidding entity when performing the relevant contract
- the CRP is published on the bidding entity's website

Bidding entities must take steps to ensure they have their own CRP as soon as reasonably practicable and should note that the ability to rely on a parent organisation's CRP may only be a temporary measure to satisfy this particular condition of participation.

The CRP should be updated regularly (at least annually) and published and clearly signposted on the supplier's UK website. It should be approved by a director (or equivalent senior leadership) within the supplier's organisation to demonstrate a clear commitment to emissions reduction at the highest level. Suppliers may wish to adopt the objectives of the CRP within their strategic plans.

A template for the CRP is set out below. Please complete and publish your CRP in accordance with the reporting standard published alongside this PPN.

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- ¹¹ 'Bidding supplier' or 'bidding entity' means, for the purpose of this guidance, the organisation with whom the Contracting Authority will enter into a contract if it is successful.
- ¹² <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ppn-006-guidance-on-taking-account-of-carbon-reduction-plans-adopting-and-applying-conditions-of-participation-html>

Carbon Reduction Plan template

Supplier name

Darwin Group

Publication date

August 2026

Commitment to achieving net zero

Darwin Group 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.

Baseline year: 2024

Additional details relating to the baseline emissions calculations:

We have previously reported our baseline year as 2021; however, not all data was complete and totally comprehensive. In line with our parent company, we have now set our baseline as 2024. This is in line with our most up-to-date methodology and covers all relevant categories to our business. Please note that Scope 3 emissions have been calculated as a percentage of Darwin Group's financial contribution to the overall Portakabin Ltd business.

Baseline year emissions:

Emissions	Total (tCO ₂ e)
Scope 1	492
Vehicle fleet	416
LPG use	72
Scope 2	55
Purchased electricity (market-based)	55
Scope 3	50,786
Purchased goods	34,759
Purchased services	2,032
Capital goods	854
Fuel and energy related losses (T&D)	428
Upstream transport and distribution	4,418
Waste generated in operations	317
Business travel	171
Employee commuting	441
Use of sold products	7,359
End of life treatment of sold products	6
Total emissions (market based)	51,333

Current emissions reporting

Reporting year: 2025

Emissions	TOTAL (tCO ₂ e)
Scope 1	351
Vehicle fleet	282
Other stationary energy	69
Scope 2	50
Purchased electricity (market based)	50
Scope 3	32,792
Purchased goods and services	23,859
Capital goods	770
Fuel and energy-related losses (T&D)	222
Upstream transport and distribution	2,098
Waste generated in operations	459
Business travel	146
Employee commuting	265
Use of sold products	4,968
End-of-life treatment of sold products	4
Total emissions (market-based)	33,193

Please note that Scope 3 emissions have been calculated as a percentage of Darwin Group's financial contribution to the overall Portakabin Ltd business.

Emissions reduction targets

In order to continue our progress to achieving net zero, our parent company is currently aligning near-term and long-term net zero targets to the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi) standards.

Carbon reduction projects

Completed carbon reduction initiatives

The following environmental management measures and projects have been completed or implemented since the 2024 baseline. The carbon emission reduction achieved by these schemes equate to 18,140 tCO₂e, a 35% reduction against the 2024 baseline and the measures will be in effect when performing the contract.

- Continuing our electric-first company car policy
- Obtaining lifecycle carbon emissions from suppliers for key materials, and integrating carbon impacts into procurement decision-making processes
- Implementing energy-reduction strategies across all sites
- Implemented further recycling and food waste separations at the head office, factory and construction sites
- A fabric first approach to new permanent buildings ensures they can achieve Net Zero Carbon in operation and are delivered to achieve BREEAM requirements achieving Excellent and Outstanding ratings
- Material waste continues to be c.3% as a result of improved manufacturing and construction techniques
- Working with our customers to lower energy use in our hire buildings fleet, through implementing building management systems and/or integrating renewable and lower-energy building services
- We use a Digital Twin approach to improve the building life cycle management. The Digital Twin allows for optimisation of energy usage, improves building performance, and enable proactive maintenance.

Future carbon reduction initiatives

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

- Transitioning all company vehicles to fully electric.
- Working with suppliers to procure materials with lower embodied carbon.
- Obtaining lifecycle carbon emissions from suppliers for key materials, and integrating carbon impacts into procurement decision-making processes.
- Replacing fossil-fuels such as natural gas and LPG on our sites with renewable alternatives.
- Working with our customers to lower energy use in our hire buildings fleet, through implementing building management systems or integrating renewable and lower-energy building services.
- Implementing energy-reduction strategies across all sites.

Declaration and sign off

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been completed in accordance with PPN 006 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

standard¹³ and uses the appropriate government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting.¹⁴

Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions have been reported in accordance with SECR requirements (where required), 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.¹⁵

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: 21 August 2026

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¹³ <https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard>

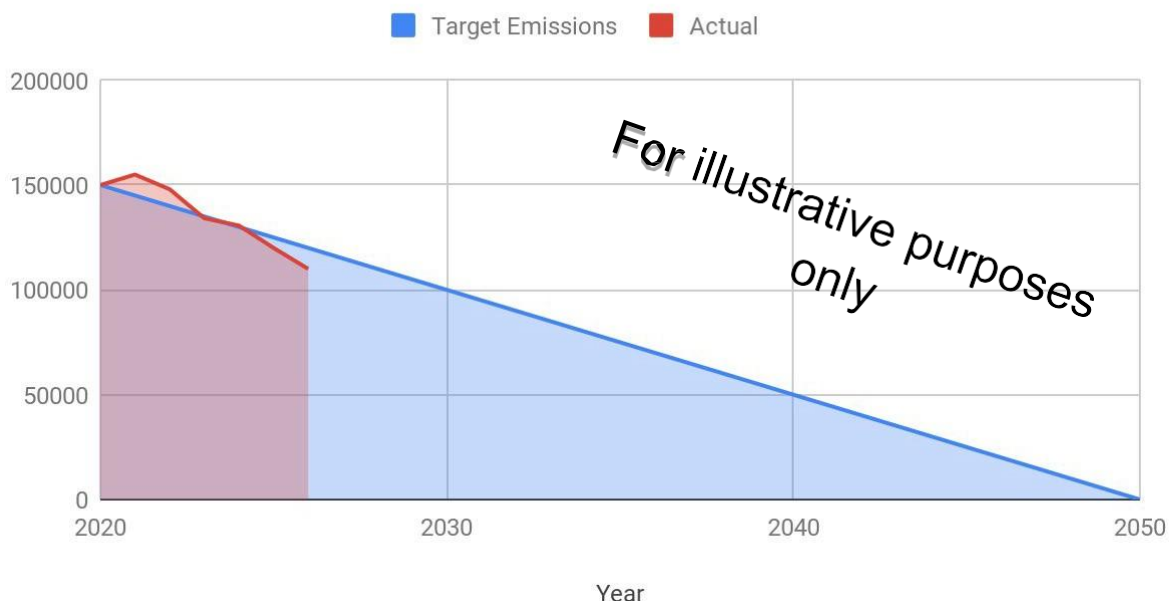
¹⁴ www.gov.uk/government/collections/government-conversion-factors-for-company-reporting

¹⁵ <https://ghgprotocol.org/standards/scope-3-standard>

Annex – Guidance notes

- Please provide details of your organisation's baseline emissions. If your organisation has not previously assessed or reported emissions, please state this and use your first reporting period as your baseline.
- Under **Additional details relating to the baseline emissions calculations**, please add details of your baseline emissions as required: for example, that it is a historic baseline which deviates from the requirements under this measure (e.g. no prior Scope 3 emissions reporting); that there had been no previous reporting; or that you have created a new baseline due to substantial organisational change or restructuring.
- Under the heading **Emissions reduction targets**, if your organisation already has emissions reduction targets, please give those targets. If your organisation had no previous emissions reduction commitment, or if this is your organisation's first carbon footprint, please provide targets for your organisation. You may want to show progress against your targets in a graph, like the one show below:

Carbon Reduction: Projected vs. Actual



- Under the heading **Completed carbon reduction initiatives**, please provide brief details of some of your completed carbon reduction projects. This is for information only. This may include environmental management measures such as certification schemes like ISO14001 or PAS 2060, signing up to SBTi or specific measures you have taken such as: the adoption of LED/PIR lighting controls, changes to policy resulting in a reduction in company travel and flights or the electrification of the company fleet.
- Under the heading **Future carbon reduction initiatives**, please provide brief details of some of your likely/proposed future carbon reduction projects, if any. This is for information only.