

Carbon Reduction Plan

Supplier name: Hunts Food Group Ltd

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Commitment to achieving Net Zero

Hunts Food Group Ltd is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2035.

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.

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| Baseline Year: 2019/20 |
| Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations. |
| <p>In line with our B Corp accreditation Hunts Food Group has developed a plan to reduce our carbon emissions to zero by 2035.</p> <p>Hunt's Food Group's base line year was measured at a time when turnover was £89.3m with fewer vehicles in the fleet and less warehouse space included in the operation than in the current year ending March 2023 figures. Despite an increase in the number of vehicles and warehouse space Hunt's carbon footprint has decreased our carbon footprint by 3,659t CO₂ which is equivalent to a 56% overall reduction.</p> <p>The base line year predated any carbon reduction investments made by the company to date. The business have developed carbon emission reduction initiatives to include investment in large scale roof based solar, cleaner burning vegetable based fuels for the vehicle fleet, milage reducing route planning technologies and most recently a re-wilding project on 15 acres of farmland to encourage the preservation of wildlife in the countryside with a wildflower meadow, tree planning, hedgerow planting and low intensive livestock grazing.</p> |

| Baseline year emissions: | |
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| EMISSIONS | TOTAL (tCO₂e) |
| Scope 1 | 4,614t |
| Scope 2 | 1,854t |
| Scope 3 (Included Sources) | Not measured |
| Total Emissions | 6,468t (72.5t CO ₂ per £1m turn over) |

Current Emissions Reporting

| Reporting Year: 2023 | |
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| EMISSIONS | TOTAL (tCO₂e) |
| Scope 1 | 1,370t |
| Scope 2 | 1,439t |
| Scope 3 (Included Sources) | Not measured |
| Total Emissions | 2,809t (24.75t CO ₂ per £1m turnover) |

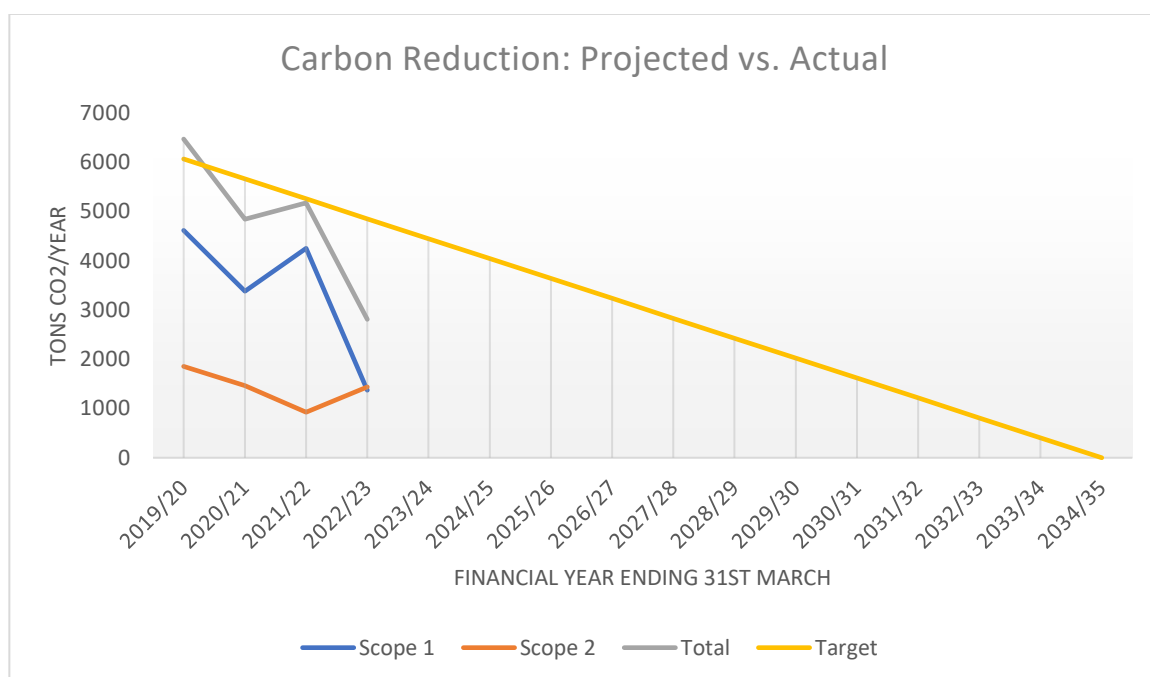
Emissions reduction targets

Hunts committed to an emissions reduction target in October 2022 of achieving net zero emissions by 2035.

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 2000 tCO₂e by 2029. This is a reduction of 69% which currently exceeds progress required to meet the 2035 net zero target.

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 2019/20 baseline. The carbon emission reduction achieved by these schemes equate to 3,659t tCO₂e, a 56% reduction against the 2019/20 baseline and the measures will be in effect when performing the contract

- Installation of Solar panels generating 1.7m KWh per year (25% of annual usage)
- Introduction of HVO diesel to our HGV fleet which is a biofuel which burns significantly cleaner than diesel. HVO has reduced the emissions of vehicles its used in by 76%
- Purchase of premium zero carbon grid energy to power our cold stores
- Removal of energy intensive blast freezing processes
- Investment in efficient Euro 6 engines in new vehicle purchases
- Investment in route optimisation technology to reduce miles driven
- Re-wilding 15 acres of farmland with trees, hedges & wildflower meadows
- A move of all company cars to electric or hybrid
- Replacement of cold store refrigeration equipment originally installed in 1976 with a new cleaner running equivalent.
- Replacement of lighting with energy efficient LED alternatives with motion sensing

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

- Electric vehicles into our HGV and van delivery fleet
- Hunt's is currently undertaking a feasibility study to introduce a wind turbine to produce renewable energy directly into our buildings on suitable sites
- We plan to use our family dairy farm to generate energy via anaerobic digestion from cow slurry
- More solar panels will be installed with a target to generate 40% of our energy from renewable sources

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 standard¹ and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting².

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) Standard³.

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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Daniel Snook (Commercial Director)

Date: 01/02/2024

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

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

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