

# CARBON REDUCTION PLAN

*(Draft for Publication — Based on PPN 006 Requirements)*

## 1. Commitment to Achieving Net Zero

Dorset Community Action is committed to achieving **Net Zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050**, in line with the UK Government target.

## 2. Baseline Year Emissions (Feb 2024 – Feb 2025)

Scope	Emissions Source	Emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
<b>Scope 1</b>	Gas heating	<b>11.18</b>
	Company van	<b>0.54</b>
<b>Scope 2</b>	Purchased electricity	<b>4.33</b>
<b>Scope 3 (required categories)</b>	Business travel	<b>2.89</b>
<b>Total</b>	—	<b>18.94 tCO<sub>2</sub>e</b>

## 3. Current Reporting Year Emissions (Feb 2025 – Feb 2026)

Scope	Emissions Source	Emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
<b>Scope 1</b>	Gas heating	<b>10.58</b>
	Company van	<b>0.54</b>
<b>Scope 2</b>	Purchased electricity	<b>3.48</b>
<b>Scope 3 (required categories)</b>	Business travel	<b>2.89</b>
<b>Total</b>	—	<b>17.49 tCO<sub>2</sub>e</b>

#### 4. Emissions Reduction Initiatives

We have implemented the following measures to reduce emissions:

##### Completed Measures

- Full LED lighting upgrade across Wimborne Community Centre
- Installation of more efficient electrical appliances where feasible
- Ongoing waste segregation and recycling improvements
- Flexible home-working policies to reduce commuting emissions
- Low-usage vehicle operations (Peugeot Expert van at ~2,000 miles/year)
- Careful heating management and improved thermostat controls

##### Planned Measures

- Exploring on-site or community-shared renewable energy options
- Increasing recycling participation and reducing general waste volume
- Reviewing business travel and encouraging remote meetings where possible
- Gradual transition to lower-emission or electric vehicles
- Continuing annual review of sustainability action plan
- Encouraging tenant and hirer engagement on energy, waste, and transport policies

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#### 5. Carbon Reduction Targets

We intend to reduce our absolute emissions by:

- **10% by 2030**, relative to our 2024–25 baseline
- **50% by 2040**
- **Achieve Net Zero by 2050**

We will publish annual updates to track progress.

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## **6. Declaration and Sign-off**

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been completed using SME-appropriate estimation methods and follows the UK Government's **PPN 006 Technical Standard for Carbon Reduction Plans**.

It has been approved by the organisation's senior leadership.

### **Signed:**

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Date: March 2026