

### 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 at the selection stage to submit a Carbon Reduction Plan which details their organisational carbon footprint and confirms their commitment to achieving Net Zero by 2050.

Carbon Reduction Plans are to be completed by the bidding supplier<sup>1</sup> 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.

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 Carbon Reduction Plan 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 Standard<sup>2</sup> and Guidance<sup>3</sup>, 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; and
- 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 Carbon Reduction Plan may only be a temporary measure under this selection criterion. The Carbon Reduction Plan 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 key objectives of the Carbon Reduction Plan within their strategic plans.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Bidding supplier or 'bidding entity' means the organisation with whom the contracting authority will enter into a contract if it is successful.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Technical Standard can be found at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/ attachment\_data/file/991625/PPN\_0621\_Technical\_standard\_for\_the\_Completion\_of\_Carbon\_Reduction\_Plans\_2\_.pdf <sup>3</sup>Guidance can be found at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/ 991623/Guidance\_on\_adopting\_and\_applying\_PPN\_06\_21\_\_\_Selection\_Criteria\_\_\_3\_.pdf

# **Carbon Reduction Plan**

Supplier name:ST-FOUR Ltd
Publication date:21/06/2024

## **Commitment to achieving Net Zero**

ST-FOUR achieved Net Zero emissions in 2005.

## **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: 2018

Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.

Baseline year emissions:		
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO₂e)	
Scope 1	5.66	
Scope 2	6.52	
Scope 3 Business Travel	9.84	
Total Emissions	22.02	

# **Current Emissions Reporting**

Reporting Year: 2024		
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO₂e)	
Scope 1	3.39	
Scope 2	8.01	
Scope 3 Business Travel	5.84	
Total Emissions	17.24	

## **Carbon Reduction Projects**

## **Completed Carbon Reduction Initiatives**

The following environmental management measures and projects have been completed or implemented since the **2018** baseline. The carbon emission reduction achieved by these schemes equate to **4.78** tCO<sub>2</sub>e, a **3.79**% ge reduction against the **2018** baseline and the measures will be in effect when performing the contract

Every year we calculate our carbon emissions and purchase trees through UK or Global charities that equate to taking up to double the amount of carbon ST-FOUR produces out of the ecosystem.

Huge increase in Remote working

We re-use paper printed on only one side & we recycle all office paper that is not confidential

All company vehicles are All Electric

We have a least carbon travel policy

Employees have a mileage rate for cycling

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

Buy more energy efficient equipment to replace older less efficient equipment.

## **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>4</sup> and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting<sup>5</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>6</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:

Date: ...21st June 2024. 

<sup>4</sup>https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard
<sup>5</sup>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/government-conversion-factors-for-company-reporting
<sup>6</sup>https://ghgprotocol.org/standards/scope-3-standard