



Carbon Footprint & Emissions Reduction Plan

Westcountry Fruit Sales Ltd (*trading as Westcountry Foodservice*)

Baseline Year: 2025

Commitment to Achieving Net Zero

Westcountry Fruit Sales Ltd (trading as Westcountry Foodservice) is committed to achieving Net Zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, in line with UK Government policy.

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Statement

Westcountry Fruit Sales Ltd (trading as Westcountry Foodservice) is committed to operating in a responsible and sustainable manner, recognising the importance of reducing environmental impact whilst maintaining high standards of service, compliance, and operational excellence.

The organisation seeks to minimise its carbon footprint through improved operational efficiency, responsible resource management, and the ongoing monitoring of greenhouse gas emissions. This commitment forms part of a wider ESG approach that supports long-term sustainability, meets stakeholder expectations, and aligns with evolving regulatory and customer requirements.

The organisation's sustainability approach is aligned with the principles of the Country Range Group sustainability framework and reflects a practical, ongoing commitment to reducing environmental impact across operations.

The business will continue to review and enhance its environmental practices, including the progressive expansion of emissions reporting and the implementation of practical carbon reduction initiatives.

1. Purpose

This Carbon Reduction Plan sets out the organisation's approach to measuring, managing and reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

It aims to:

- Establish a clear and auditable emissions baseline
- Align with UK Government (DEFRA) methodologies
- Support NHS and wider public sector procurement requirements



- Provide a framework for continuous emissions reduction
- Support compliance, customer, and tender requirements

2. Organisational Boundary

This plan applies to the organisation's UK operations, including:

- All operational sites, including warehousing and administrative functions
- Company-operated fleet (including HGV and van operations)
- Electricity and energy consumption associated with business activities
- Relevant Scope 3 value chain activities

3. Scope of Emissions

Scope 1 – Direct Emissions

- Fuel consumption from company vehicles
- Any direct fuel use within operations

Scope 2 – Indirect Emissions

- Purchased electricity across all operational sites

Scope 3 – Indirect Value Chain Emissions

For NHS and wider public sector procurement purposes, the organisation reports the relevant required Scope 3 categories in accordance with PPN 006 (previously PPN 06/21) guidance.

- **Category 4:** Upstream transportation and distribution
- **Category 5:** Waste generated in operations
- **Category 6:** Business travel
- **Category 7:** Employee commuting
- **Category 9:** Downstream transportation and distribution

4. Baseline Year

The baseline year for emissions measurement is **2025**.

This has been selected as it represents the first full year in which Westcountry Fruit Sales Ltd (trading as Westcountry Foodservice) is reporting emissions as a standalone organisation, following previous reporting as part of the Kitwave Group.



As a result, historical data prior to 2025 is not directly comparable due to differing organisational boundaries and reporting structures.

Accordingly, 2025 provides the most appropriate and consistent baseline from which to measure future emissions performance and reduction progress.

5. Carbon Emissions Calculation Table

Emission Category	Total Emissions (t CO ₂ e)
Scope 1 (Total Fuel)	2714.63
Scope 2 (Electricity)	1576.01
Scope 3	1669
Total Emissions	5959.64

Emissions are reported in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (t CO₂e)

Calculation Method:

Total Emissions = Activity Data × Emission Factor

6. Scope 3 Emissions Breakdown

Category	Description	Total Emissions (t CO ₂ e)
Category 4	Upstream transportation and distribution	1030
Category 5	Waste generated in operations	3.0
Category 6	Business travel	60
Category 7	Employee commuting	576
Category 9	Downstream transportation and distribution	Customer deliveries are primarily undertaken using the organisation's own fleet. Associated fuel consumption is included



Category	Description	Total Emissions (t CO ₂ e)
		within Scope 1 emissions and is therefore not separately reported under Scope 3 Category 9
Total Scope 3		1669

Key Assumptions

- Predominantly UK road freight
- Average employee commuting distance of 15 miles radius
- Business travel assumes average of 15,000 miles per sales representative per annum using standard vehicle emission
- Estimated total waste tonnage and standard UK DEFRA waste-treatment emission factors based on 2.7% landfill and remaining waste recycled/recovered.

7. Data Collection and Governance

Data Type	Source	Frequency	Responsibility
Fuel usage	Fuel cards / fleet systems	Monthly	Transport
Electricity	Supplier invoices / meters	Monthly	Finance / Operations
Scope 3	Supplier / estimated data	Annual	Compliance

Controls include:



- Centralised record keeping
- Retention of supporting documentation
- Consistent methodology and version control

8. Emissions Reduction Strategy

Targets

- Reduce Scope 1 emissions by 5–10% over 3 years
- Improve operational energy efficiency (Scope 2)
- Expand Scope 3 reporting annually
- Progressively reduce total emissions in line with Net Zero 2050 trajectory

9. Sustainability Commitment and Operational Alignment

Westcountry Foodservice's sustainability approach reflects a practical, operational focus aligned with Country Range Group principles.

Current Initiatives

The organisation has already implemented a range of sustainability measures embedded within operations, including:

- Development of a purpose-built, energy-efficient warehouse, consolidating operations and reducing overall emissions
- Installation of energy-efficient systems and lighting
- Implementation of waste management and recycling programmes, including redistribution of surplus stock
- Transition towards a paperless office and delivery environment, including electronic proof of delivery
- Use of technology and operational optimisation, such as warehouse layout improvements and voice picking systems to reduce inefficiencies and transport demand

These initiatives demonstrate that sustainability is embedded into the organisation's day-to-day operations rather than treated as a standalone activity.



Future Commitments

The organisation has identified key areas of ongoing development, including:

- Assessment and potential implementation of renewable energy solutions, including solar energy
- Continued enhancement of logistics efficiency and route optimisation
- Transition towards lower-emission transport solutions
- Reduction in packaging and material waste, with increased use of sustainable alternatives
- Continued focus on sustainable sourcing and reduction of food miles

10. Monitoring and Reporting

The organisation will:

- Produce an annual carbon footprint report
- Track progress against reduction targets
- Maintain records to support customer and audit requests

Responsibility:

- Senior Management – Oversight
- Transport / Finance / Compliance – Data and reporting

11. Risks and Limitations

The organisation recognises the following current limitations:

- Historical emissions data prior to 2025 is not comparable
- Scope 3 data is currently limited but expanding
- Data completeness is subject to ongoing validation

These limitations will be addressed as part of continuous improvement.

12. Continuous Improvement

Westcountry Foodservice Ltd is committed to:

- Annual review of this Carbon Reduction Plan



- Improving data accuracy and reporting coverage
- Expanding Scope 3 categories
- Implementing practical, measurable sustainability improvements

13. Compliance Statement

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been prepared in accordance with PPN 006 (previously PPN 06/21) and associated guidance for NHS and wider public sector procurement.

- Reporting of Scope 1, Scope 2 and the relevant required Scope 3 categories
- Commitment to achieving Net Zero by 2050
- Board-level review and approval
- Public availability via the organisation's website

14. Public Availability

This Carbon Reduction Plan will be published on the organisation's website and maintained as part of its public sustainability and tender compliance information.

15. Board Approval

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been prepared in accordance with PPN 006 (previously PPN 06/21) and associated guidance, and has been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors of Westcountry Fruit Sales Ltd.

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