# **Carbon Reduction Plan**

Supplier name: DScribe Limited

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### **Commitment to achieving Net Zero**

DScribe Limited 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: 2023 (1st January to 31st December)

Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.

DScribe Limited's reporting began in the 2023 reporting year. We are reporting against the 5 mandatory categories of Scope 3, along with Scope 1 and 2 emissions. Scope 1 and 2 are zero because all staff work remotely and we do not operate any company owned or leased vehicles.

Upstream Transportation and Distribution emissions are considered immaterial as we only purchase very small amounts of general consumables, and the Downstream Transportation and Distribution category is not applicable to our business. To better account for our real-world environmental impact, we have voluntarily reported our homeworking emissions as part of the Staff Commuting category.

Baseline year emissions:	
EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO₂e)
Scope 1	0
Scope 2	0 (Location-based)
Scope 3	3.33
(Included Sources)	Upstream Transportation and Distribution: <0.01*
	Waste Generated in Operations: 0.00
	Business Travel: 0.26

Total Emissions	3.33
	*A third-party screening analysis revealed this category of emissions is immaterial to our total carbon footprint so we have not measured further. **Includes estimated homeworking emissions.
	Downstream Transportation and Distribution: 0.00
	Staff Commuting: 3.07**

#### **Current Emissions Reporting**

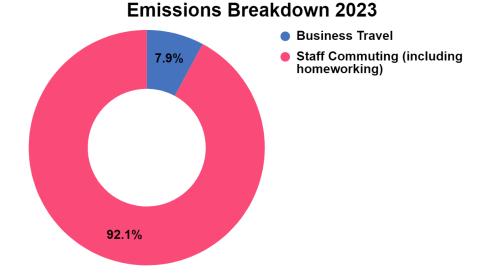
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#### **Emissions reduction targets**

DScribe has committed to a long-term target of achieving net zero by 2050. In practice, this equates to a 90% absolute reduction in Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions by 2050 from our 2023 baseline. The remaining 10% of emissions will be balanced by emissions removals to achieve net zero.

As we do not currently have any Scope 1 or 2 emissions to report, we do not require a near-term target for these categories. For Scope 3, we will adopt near-term targets as we expand our reporting over time to ensure we make tangible and continuous progress towards net zero.

#### **Carbon Reduction Projects**



# DScribe is committed to taking action to bring down our emissions in-line with our net zero target. Projects currently being delivered or under consideration in this reporting period include:

- **Digital remote working:** We do not operate a centralised office. All staff work from home, logging into our servers on AWS. Only one member of staff travels to visit NHS client sites; all other client contact is by email or data transfer via our servers. DScribe has no current plans to open a centralised office in future.
- **Business travel:** Travel to visit clients minimal, occurring approximately twice a week. Travel is always via train or plug-in electric car, so business travel emissions are largely eliminated.
- Energy efficiency: Staff homeworking is our most material category of measured emissions. We will explore how we can help staff to minimise energy usage and waste at home by identifying and implementing efficiency improvements and routines in their day-to-day work.
- **Measurement and metrics:** We will continue to measure our emissions annually and put practices in place to continually improve data quality to capture more business activities. Longer-term, we will seek to expand our measurement of Scope 3 categories to better understand our wider carbon footprint.

#### **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>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup><u>https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard</u>

and uses the appropriate Government emission conversion factors for greenhouse gas company reporting<sup>2</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>3</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:

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F.C.A. Hamilton, Director

Date: 8 October 2024

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https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/government-conversion-factors-for-company-repor ting

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>https://ghgprotocol.org/standards/scope-3-standard</u>