



Purpose

**Bringing together**  
*ideas, energy and resources*  
**to make life better in our communities**

Strategic pillars

**Sustainability in every step** 

Our drivers

**Waste management**

We are committed to reducing waste across our operations and minimising food waste through innovative solutions and community partnerships.

**Climate impact**

We are committed to minimising our climate impact by reducing green house gas emissions, optimising energy and water use, and implementing adaptive strategies to build resilience against climate change.

**Responsible sourcing**

We are committed to ensuring responsible sourcing that prioritises ethical practices, transparency and environmental sustainability throughout our supply chain.

Key targets

**Waste management targets:**

Complete a full waste audit by the end of the 2025 financial year. Following this, set waste intensity reduction targets across all waste streams.

Achieve zero waste to landfill by the end of the 2028 financial year.

**Climate impact targets:**

85% of energy to come from renewable sources by the end of the 2030 financial year.

Reduce scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions by 22% by the end of the 2030 financial year.

Scope 1 & 2 reduction target of 90% by the end of the 2035 financial year.

Scope 3 reduction target of 90% by the end of the 2045 financial year.

Overall net zero target the end of the 2045 financial year.

Conduct an assessment to identify climate-related risks and opportunities by the end of the 2026 financial year.

Conduct a comprehensive assessment to understand current water usage and risks and opportunities associated with water by the end of the 2026 financial year.

**Responsible sourcing targets:**

100% of suppliers screened using environmental criteria by the end of 2030.

100% of procurement across Lincolnshire Co-op completed in line with its procurement policy by 2030.

100% of suppliers signed up to the supplier code of conduct by the end of 2030.

All targets are set using a 2024 baseline year.



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**Greenhouse gases (also known as GHGs)** - During the day, the sun shines through the atmosphere, warming the earth's surface. At night, the earth's surface cools, releasing heat back into the air. But some of the heat is trapped by the greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. That's what keeps the earth's temperature at an average 14°C (57°F).

However, human activities are changing earth's natural greenhouse effect with a dramatic increase in the release of greenhouse gases. Scientists agree greenhouse gases are the cause of global warming and climate change. (Source: National Grid - <https://www.nationalgrid.com/stories/energy-explained/what-are-greenhouse-gases>)

**Waste intensity** – This is a measurement term, used to outline efficiency, which indicates the waste generated to enable a specific output.

**Scope 1 emissions** - Direct GHG emissions occur from sources that are owned or controlled by the company, for example, emissions from combustion in owned or controlled boilers, furnaces, vehicles. (Source: GHG Protocol).

**Scope 2 emissions** - Scope 2 accounts for GHG emissions from the generation of purchased electricity consumed by the company. Scope 2 emissions physically occur at the power station or wind turbine where electricity is generated. (Source: GHG Protocol).

**Scope 3 emissions** - Scope 3 emissions refers to the emissions associated with Lincolnshire Co-op's supply chain e.g. food products purchased or how packaging waste at stores is disposed. (Source: GHG Protocol).

**Net zero** - A target of reducing the amount of greenhouse gas emissions produced by Lincolnshire Co-op by 90% on or before 2050. (Source: SBTi Net zero Standard).

**Procurement** - The process by which an organisation buys the products or services it needs from other organisations.

