

# **Autumn Innovation Conference:**Decarbonising Highways



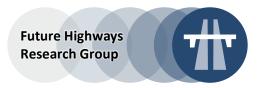
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### Agenda



- Welcome & Introductions (Hannah Bartram, COO, ADEPT)
- ADEPT News (Hannah Bartram)
- Sector News (Dominic Browne, Editor, Highways Magazine)
- FHRG Members Updates (Open Discussion)
  - Issues & Challenges For Highways Authorities In 2022
    - Staff & Resource Shortfalls
    - De-Carbonisation
    - New Services Delivery Operating Models
    - Procurements & Future Contracts
    - Future Services Funding
- Stage I: GHG Scope 1 & 2 Guidance (Helen Bailey & Emma Pye)
  - Scope 1 & 2 Guidance Progress & Delivery Timescales
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    - Interviews & Workshops Feedback
  - Draft Guidance Overview (Preview Tour)
  - Guidance Applications
- Comfort Break

## Agenda Continued...



- Stage II: GHG Scope 3: Sector Review & Scoping (Owen Jenkins)
  - Sector Review: Research Proposal
    - Research Questions & Objectives
    - Overview of Scope 3 Challenges
    - Scope, Approach & Deliverables
  - Sector Pledges
    - Supporting A Unified Approach to Scope 3
- Stage III: Scope 3: Guidance (Launch, Simon Wilson & Helen Bailey)
  - Scope 3: Guidance Research Proposal
  - An "All Member" Research Programme
  - Proposed Timescales, Objectives & Outputs
- Carbon Calculators: Options Analysis
- Carbon Zero Highways: Future Options (Case Studies)
  - Wendover Bypass (Eurovia)
  - Designing Out Carbon (Atkins)
- Building a Curated Library of CO2 Reduction Programmes (Simon Wilson)
- Upcoming FHRG Meetings & Events



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## **ADEPT & Sector News**

Hannah Bartram, Dominic Browne & FHRG Members



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## Sector Challenges: Open Discussion

**Future Highways Research Group** 

### Sector Challenges (Open Discussion)

#### Current Issues, Impacts & Priorities



#### Staff & Resource Shortfalls

- Capabilities & Capacities (Current & Future)
- Agency Staff, Contractor Dependencies & Higher Cost

#### De-Carbonisation

- Designs
- Network Operations
- Materials

#### New Services Delivery Operating Models

- Market Crowding (Clients At Contract Renewal)
- Increasing Mixed Economy Operations

#### Procurements & Future Contracts

- Provider Market Consolidation & Provider Expectations
- Future TMCs
- Frameworks Utilisation

#### Future Services Funding

- Purposes, Scale & Certainty of Funding
- Timescales for Bidding, Allocation & Spending

How are these issues affecting your organisation?

Which do you think will have the greatest impact?

What ameliorative actions can we, should we, take?

The issues are interdependent, with cascading implications for services and the sector.





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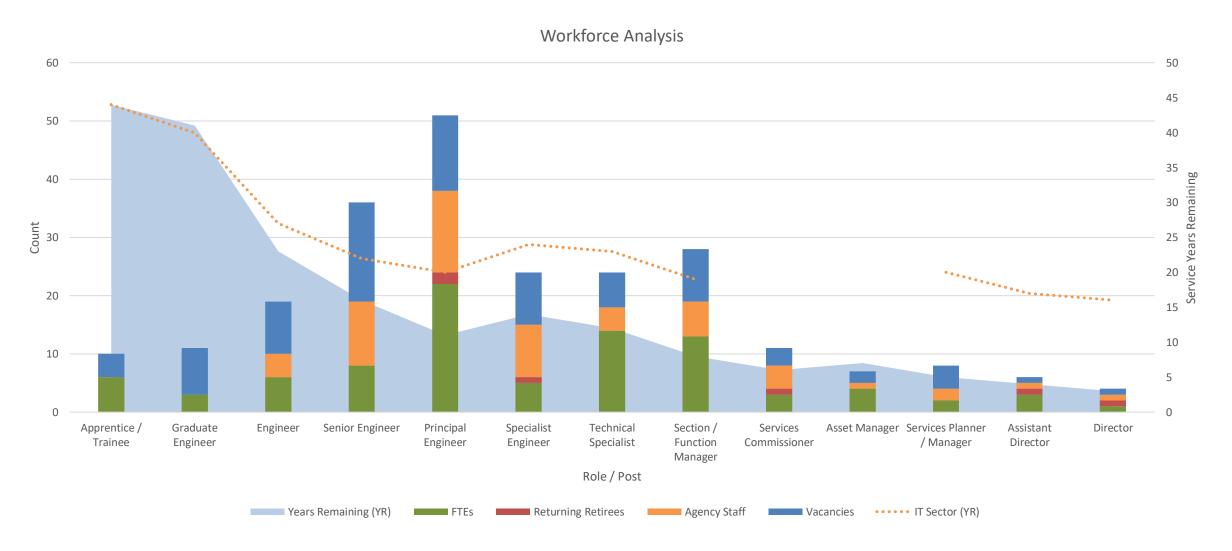


## **Human Capital Management**

Research Programme Launch: December 2021

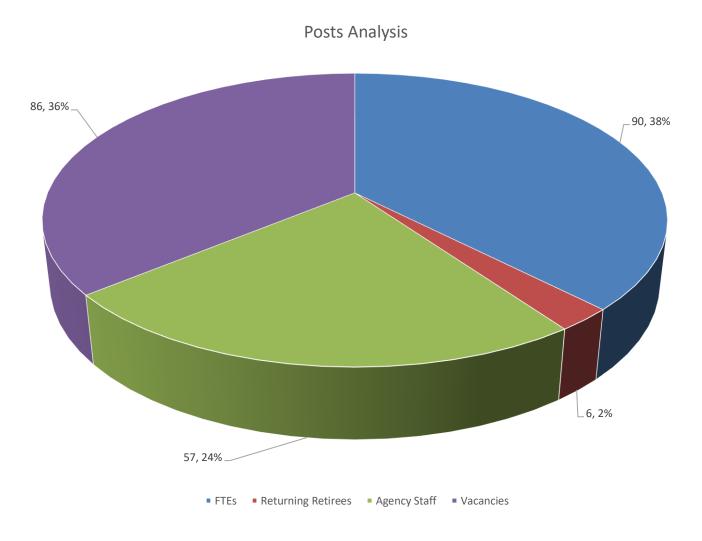
## A Human Capital Crisis?





## **Posts Analysis**

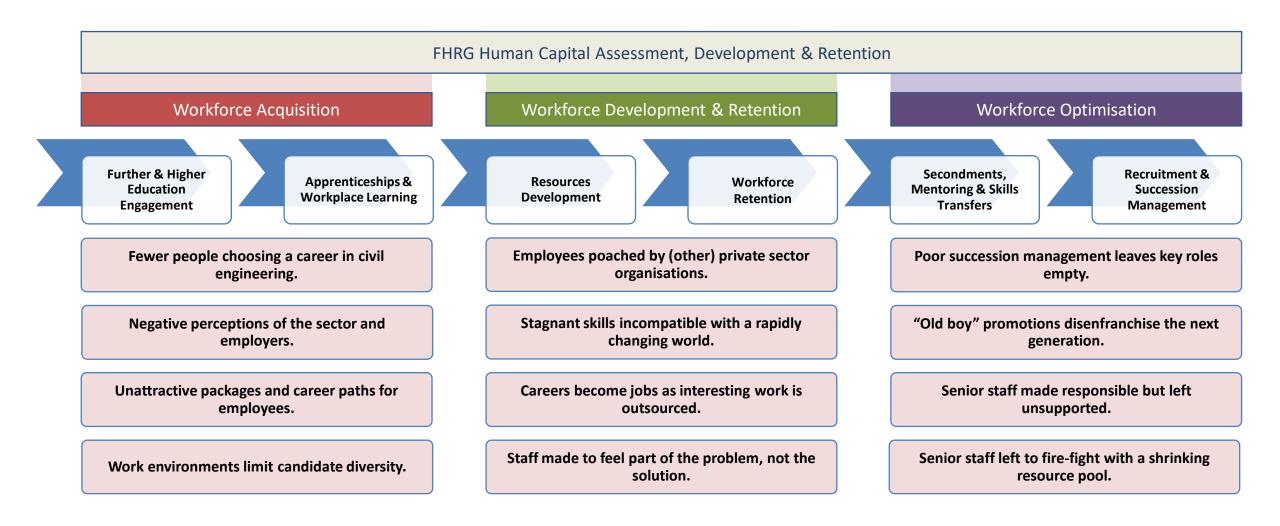




#### Human Capital Assessment & Development

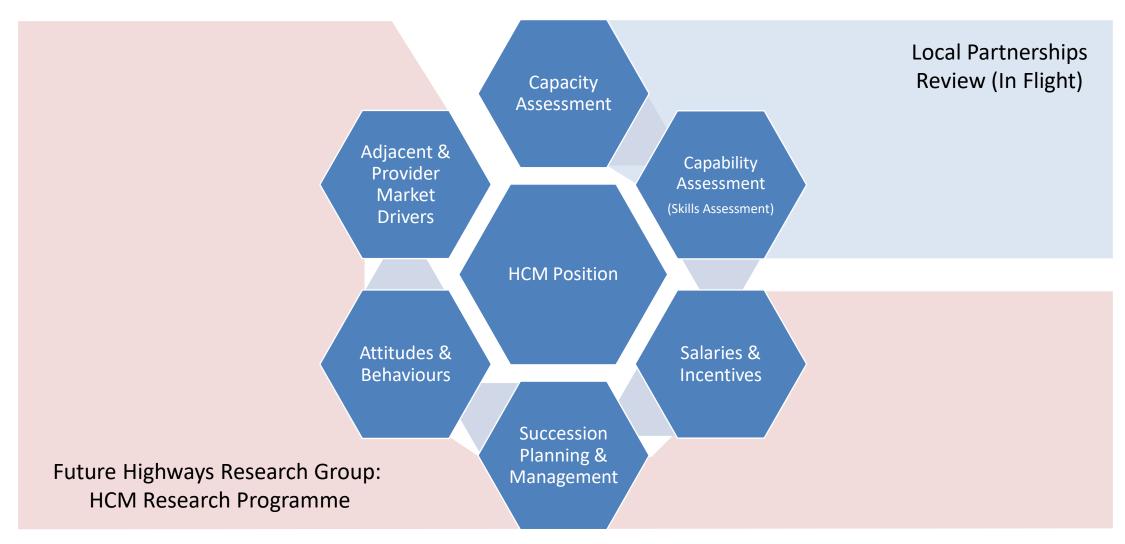
#### Scope of Research Programme





## **Comprehensive Factor Analysis**





#### **Human Capital Assessment**

#### An All-Sector Research Exercise



- Led by the members of the Future Highways Research Group.
  - FHRG members set the scope and research objectives.
- Wide sector engagement:
  - LHAs
  - National Highways
  - DfT
  - CIHT
  - CITB
  - loQ
  - Private Sector Providers
  - Agency Resources Providers
- Identification of future options for addressing the issues.
- All findings freely shared with the sector.



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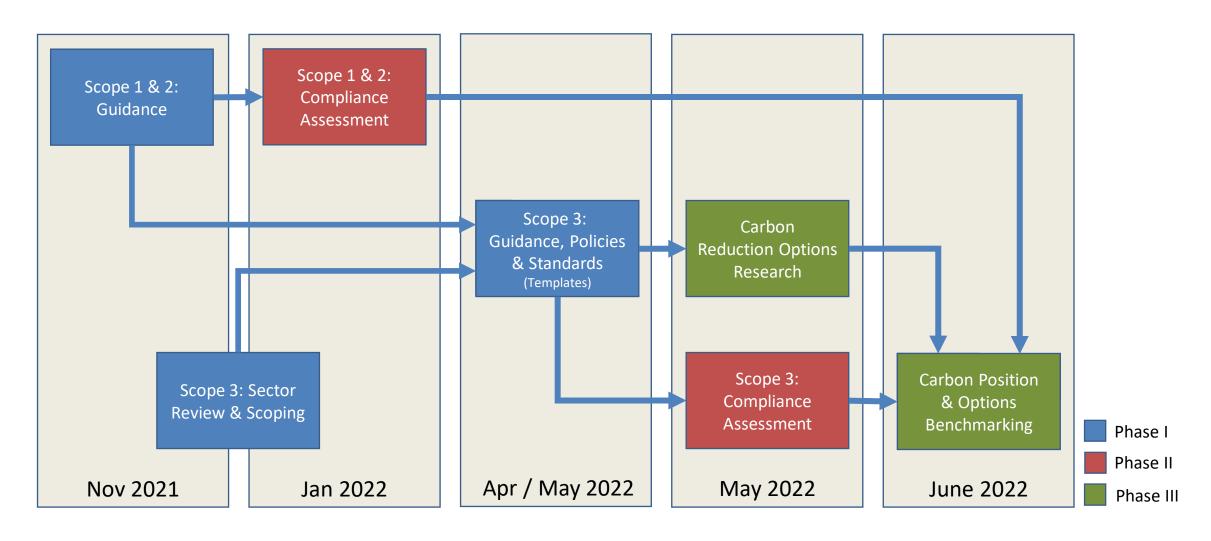
## Zero Carbon Highways

**Programme Route Map** 

#### Zero Carbon Highways: Route Map

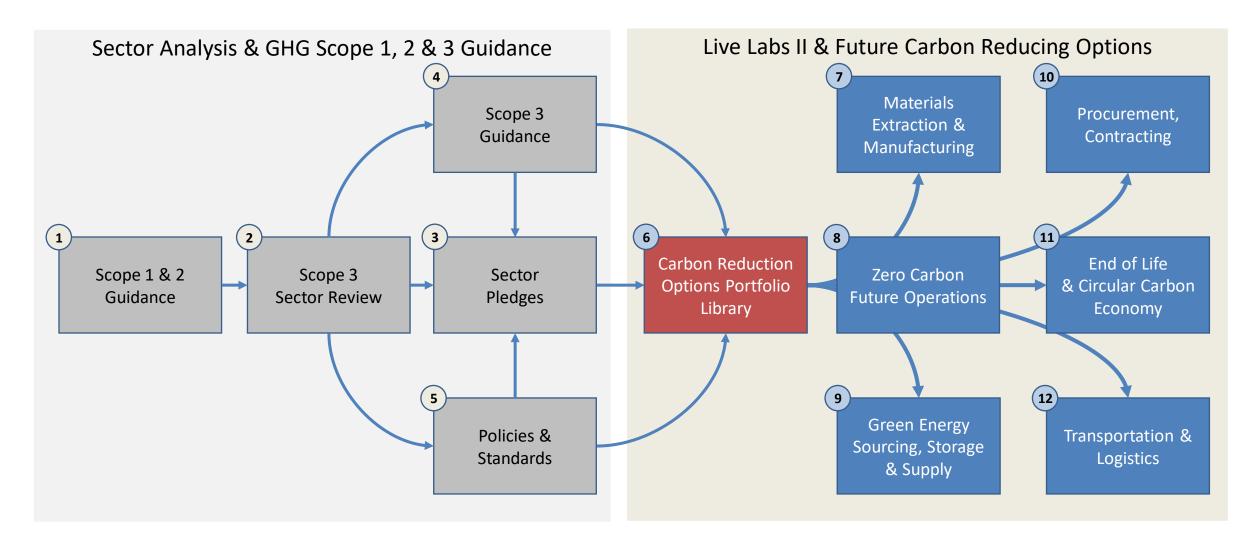
#### Measurement, Options Development & Reduction





## Future Carbon Reduction Options







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## Scope 1 & 2: Guidance

**Progress Update** 

## Project brief\* – Scope 1 and 2 guidance development

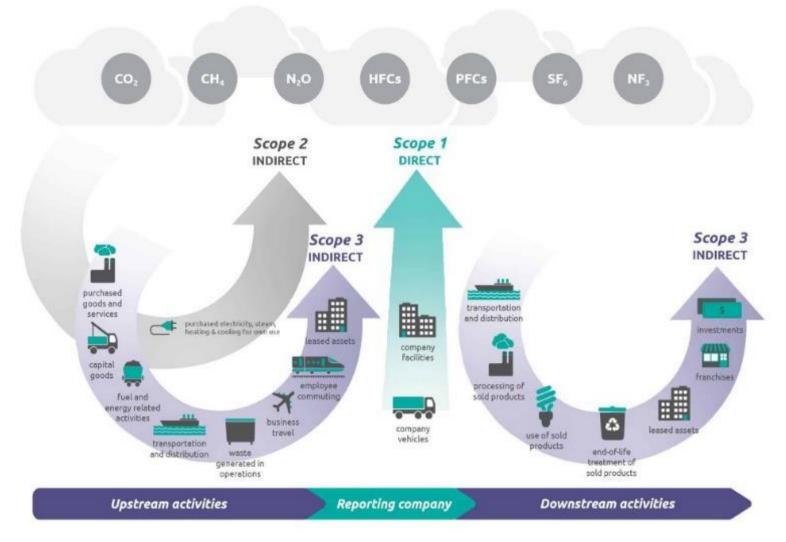


- Identify what has currently been adopted and progress among members.
- Define clear boundaries for the activities to be included.
- Define the period in which data will be collected (reporting cycle).
- Understanding key environmental impacts and the associated emissions.
- Define uniform measurement techniques for the identified impacts.
- Agree carbon footprint conversion assumptions.
- Create benchmarkable standards.
- Create an assessment framework.

<sup>\*</sup>GHG Scope 3 is out-of-scope for this project, as is any form of carbon calculator.

## Scope 1 and 2 – a reminder





#### What we've done



- √ Working and steering groups formed
- √ FHRG peer group formed (comprising, coastal, urban, rural, met, borough, county)
- **✓ Literature review completed**
- ✓ Questionnaire to FHRG members completed
- ✓ Interviews with peer group completed
- -Draft guidance being finalised for peer review

### What we'd like to do today



- ✓ Provide an update, highlights of the findings from literature and interviews
- **✓** Share key considerations
- **✓** Take a tour of the draft guidance
- ✓ Seeks thoughts and feedback on the draft guidance

## Literature review highlights (1)



#### Key legislation

- Climate Change Act
- Carbon Budgets
- IPCC

#### Mandatory reporting (industry)

 Where applicable methodology used for reporting must be disclosed and although no methodology is prescribed, it must be robust, transparent, and widely accepted

#### Mapping of current standards and guidance

- No current standard or guide specific for the highways sector
- Current standards have the following limitations:
  - Defining the boundary to be applied
  - Detailing of activities or services to be included.
  - Deciding which approach needs to be taken for monitoring and measurement.

## Literature review highlights (2)



- Carbon accounting tools and conversion factors
  - Most used:
    - Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy, Greenhouse gas reporting: conversion factors.
    - Inventory of Carbon and Energy (ICE), Database Version 3
- Business reporting, procurement implications and opportunities
  - The local authorities can provide collective leadership to reinvigorate the political and societal consensus and accelerate climate action.
  - Opportunity to influence procurement and take advantage of lessons learnt in Europe

'Assessment of carbon is likely to become a large part of tender assessment soon which will be supported by facts and evidence... warm statements of intent will be a thing of the past'.

(Paraphrased from Traffex 15-17 June 2021: Malcolm Dare, Executive Director, Highways England on their decarbonisation plan).

## Literature review highlights (3)



#### Highlighted questions for questionnaire

- What are the standards and approaches currently being employed to address carbon accounting?
- Which tools (if any) are local authorities using for carbon footprint calculation?
- What experience do local authorities have in linking design and specification to carbon reduction?
- Is there any external verification/assurance schemes e.g., ISAE 3410 currently being adhered to in relation to carbon accounting?

### Questionnaire findings

(Questionnaire written following PAS 2080, based on output from literature review)



- All respondents apart from one has declared climate emergency
- All had net zero target (range 2030 2050)
- Inconsistencies in uptake of guidance, processes and policy
- Mixture of standards and guides used, including tools (some bespoke)
- Most as a minimum include scope 1 and 2 in their carbon footprints, however:
  - Not all activities are included in scope 1 and 2
  - · Boundaries still being established
- Measurement processes not consistent for calculation of carbon footprint, however, most rely on government conversion factors
- Ability to monitor carbon footprint varies and continual improvement process are limited
- Communication processes in place to staff
- Many are still at an early stage in carbon journey
- Some authorities looking at carbon as part of design
- External verification only starting to be looked at
- Early engagement with supply chain beneficial
- 'Lot of work still to do'!

## Interview findings



- Interviews were carried out with nine authorities.
- LA's all at a different stage of producing carbon footprint
- Maturity of footprint did not mean a stronger position to those at the beginning of the journey
- Data availability a problem, due to leased properties, visibility of bills, third party providers carrying out the works
- Large differences regarding work carried out by third party providers
- Large focus on scope 3 in relation to carbon reduction

## Key findings and assumptions for the guidance



#### **Key Findings**

- No standards/guidance specific to highways sector
- No highways specific guidance that enables carbon footprints to be comparable
  - Baseline year how to calculate
  - Boundary what activities to include
  - Conversion factors which ones should be used
  - Questions to be answered such as
    - Should home working be included?
    - Is a baseline for a calendar or financial year?
    - How to incorporate activities that are carried out by a third-party provider (scope 1 or 3)

#### **Assumptions**

 To keep it in line with current GHG guidance and other standards available, including terminology, language and aims









Guidance for the application of Scope 1 and 2 in the highways sector.

Oct 2021

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#### 6. Baseline

Baseline year – as many activities as possible

#### Baseline year

e year is essential. Without the knowledge of baseline emissions, it is impossible to reliably judge the of any remediation efforts.

ning a baseline year is a key first step and for a local authority highways department it should ate as many, if not all, operational activities as possible. Using a baseline year with as many activities as possible included will make it easier for performance comparison going forward. If this is not possible the year in which targets are set could be used.

Or average of a number of years

An alternative is to take an average of a number of years, this can be used if data is sporadic and therefore some years are more complete than others in different areas. A multi-year average may also help smooth out unusual fluctuations in emissions that would make a single year's data unrepresentative of the company's typical emissions profile.

The baseline year should mirror the financial year (i.e., a twelve-month period make comparison to spend easier which may have an impact on a footprint in increased spend could have an impact on emissions if there is an increase in v

Once a baseline year is established then subsequent monitoring years must be year to ensure clear comparison. The purpose of normalisation is to enable re

Financial year (April-April)



#### 6.2. Boundary

This section identifies the operational activities to be included within the boundary.

This guidance is intended to identify the emissions from the local authority highways department of which it has control or influence. Figure 1 shows the various stages within a construction project.

- Off-site production and transport of materials used for construction
- Project design and construction (civil engineering or building, including demolition and refurbishment, and on-site materials manufacture)
- Project operation (the management and / or use of the final product)

Construction operations only

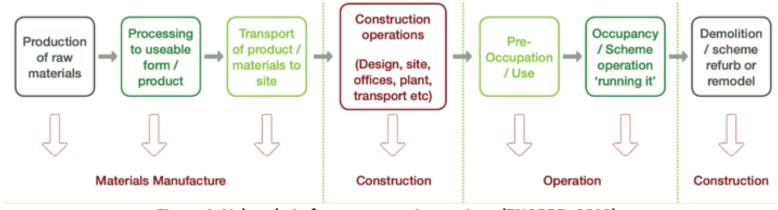


Figure 1. Value chain for a construction project, (ENCORD, 2012)

This guidance looks at the construction operations only and will be following is what the GHG protocol calls the 'operational control approach' and is considered the best fit for the local authority highway model.



Operational control approach - Under this approach, a company would record emissions from facilities, sites, or operations over which it or one of its subsidiaries, has operational control, i.e., the authority to introduce and implement its operating policies at the operation. A company accounts for 100% of emissions from operations over which it or one of its subsidiaries has operational control. (ENCORD, 2012)

The local authority highways department should include as many activities as possible which are directly managed by the authority. These activities will be referred to henceforth as **primary activities**.

For those activities that are not carried out by the local authority, these can be identified and referred to as secondary activities.

Secondary activity carbon emissions under GHG are classed as scope 3. It is however recommended by the GHG protocol that construction services companies aspiring to meet best practice should aim to measure all relevant scope 3 emissions sources. It has highlighted that scope 1 indirect emissions from third party providers are some of those most relevant and significant emissions and therefore inclusion is key.

This guidance therefore recommends that secondary activities producing scope 1 and 2 emissions are included in the scope 1 and 2 carbon footprint and not scope 3.

Best practice:
Both primary and secondary activities to be included in scope 1



A list of activities can be found below which should be automatically included in the carbon footprint boundary for a local authority:

- Preliminaries
- Traffic Management
- Site Clearance
- Fencing
- Vehicle and Pedestrian Restraints
- Drainage and Service Ducts
- Earthworks
- Pavements
- Kerbs, Footways and Block Paved Areas
- Traffic Signs and Road Marking
- Structural Concrete
- Waterproofing for Concrete Structures
- Bridge Deck Expansion Joints and Sealing of Gaps
- Brickwork, Blockwork and Stonework
- Landscape and Ecology
- Service Activity Landscape Maintenance
- Service Activity Drainage Cleansing
- Service Activity Sign Cleaning
- Service Activity Minor Repairs
- Highway Cleaning
- Winter Maintenance
- Emergency Response
- Restricted Working
- Pavements
- Road Lighting Columns and Brackets
- Electrical Work for Road Lighting and Traffic Signs
- Investigation and Surveys
- Maintenance Painting of Steelwork

Inventory of activities recorded

Primary or secondary recorded

Activities not undertaken recorded

Any activities not undertaken by either the local authority directly or a third party should be documented as not applicable to the operations. This is key for performance monitoring or comparing carbon footprints.

All items that are leased should also be included in scope, this includes premises, plant, machinery, vehicles etc.



#### 6.3. Conversion factors

This section looks to provide a simple approach enabling data to be comparable.

To calculate a carbon footprint for the appropriate activities, the carbon emissions first need to be converted into 'activity data' such as:

- litres of fuel used
- kwh of energy used

Please note details of activity data can be found in section 6.2 of this guidance in relation to each emission.

A 'conversion factor' then provides a figure to multiply the activity data against to give a resulting carbon emission figure as shown below:

#### Activity Data x Emission Factor = GHG emissions

These figures can then be added to produce a total carbon emissions figure.

Following a review of the various carbon accounting tools currently available many calculations default to the use of one of two data sets for credible carbon conversion factors, these are:

- Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy, Greenhouse gas reporting: conversion factors.
- Inventory of Carbon and Energy (ICE), Database Version 3

#### Default conversion factors

- BEIS government emissions factors
- 2. Inventory of Carbon and Energy (ICE)



#### 7. Scope 1

This section of the guidance considers scope 1 which covers direct emissions in the context of both owned or controlled sources. This section looks at the following:

- Activities that produce direct emissions
- Sources of the emissions
- Types of fuel are commonly used in the source of emissions
- How to determine what needs monitoring
- Recommendations for monitoring, measurement, analysis, and evaluation,
- Recommendations for when monitoring and measurement should be carried out
- · Resources and responsibility for monitoring and measurement

Scope 1 is commonly split into fuel combustion, process emissions, fugitive emissions and company vehicles within various standards and guides. This guidance document follows conventional approaches but does however sub divide fuel combustion into those on premises and those on projects which is an approach adopted by the GHG protocol for the construction sector. This approach has been taken to separate the static fuels versus the fuels used in projects. This approach will help data collation and support the activities described in <a href="mailto:section 6.2">section 6.2</a>. It will also allow for future changes to operating models, third party providers and home working where applicable.

Subdivision of fuel into premises (static) and projects to maintain alignment with GHG protocol for construction

Approach taken supports any future changes to operating models



#### 7.1. Fuel premises

This section of the guidance covers fuel purchased for use at premises which support the company's activities in <u>section 6.2</u>. Premises can include offices, depots, yards, site welfare offices, maintenance facilities, home working.

This section of the guidance is specifically focussed on fuel used in premises such as:

- boilers for heating buildings
- gas furnaces
- gas-fired combined heat and power (CHP) plants.

The most common fuels are natural gas, heating oil, liquified petroleum gas (LPG), gas oil (aka red diesel) and burning oil (aka kerosene).

#### 7.1.1. Determining the scope for fuel combustion

It is vital for a carbon footprint that as much of scope 1 is included as these are direct emissions, therefore it is recommended that local authorities look to include fuel used at their premises within the scope of their footprint. To have an all-encompassing footprint that is comparable and can identify areas for reduction as many activities from <a href="section 6.2">section 6.2</a> should be included and therefore as many premises as possible.

Premises: offices, depots, yards, welfare offices, maintenance facilities AND home working

#### 7.1.2. Monitoring and measurement

This section of the guidance looks at how a local authority highway department can monitor and measure its fuel combustion within a premises.

It is vital that firstly the local authority highway department identifies and documents all fuel combustion sources within a premises. An inventory of such will also help with ensuring that all data has been collated.

It is recommended that a monitoring process or procedure is written for each type of fuel combustion source at a premises, this should include access details, location of meters, fuel type, any calculation specific requirements for example: if the meter has been replaced recently. Without such information being recorded then monitoring and measuring accurately each year can vary which can make the data unusable and cause inaccuracies in the final figures.

The process and procedure should also include the frequency of monitoring and if this is directly from the fuel combustion source or from a bill or purchase order. A meter reading is the preferred monitoring process, as this can also help determine discrepancies in bill payments or purchase orders or identify leaks which can increase the carbon footprint.

If a premises is shared occupancy, it is recommended that the emissions data is divided by total FTE (full time employee) number using the location and multiplied by the number of highways FTE.

Monitoring procedure/process recommended

Meter reading preferred method

Home working to be included

The calculation to use is as follows:

Total incremental gas consumption per heating month, UK (kWh) = 800 kWh \* (Homeworking FTE \* 66.7%)

Note: it is recommended that data collated by the third-party provider should be carried out as per this guidance.

#### 7.2. Fuel (projects)

This section of the guidance looks at all fuel purchased by the local authority highways department for use in plant and machinery in use on, or at, a project (including construction sites and managed infrastructure assets) for activities as defined in section 6.2.

Types of fuel include:

- Gas Oil
- Diesel
- Petrol (Gasoline)
- Fuel Oil
- Heating Oil
- Natural Gas
- Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG)
- Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)
- Coal

Note: As per figure xxx this section does not include any fuel used in vehicles travelling on the public highway i.e., cars, vans, public vehicles using the network, buses, emergency vehicles etc.

#### 7.2.1. Determining the scope for fuel (projects)

It is vital for a carbon footprint that as much of scope 1 is included as these are direct emissions, therefore it is recommended that local authorities look to include fuel used for their projects within the scope of their footprint. To have an all-encompassing footprint that is comparable and can identify areas for reduction as many activities from <a href="section 6.2">section 6.2</a> should be included.

Fuel used in plant and machinery

Does not include vehicles travelling on public highways

All fuel from activities identified

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### Tour of guidance and live discussion

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#### 8.1. Determining the scope for scope 2

Using the boundary that was determined for scope 1, this should also be used for scope 2. Premises that have been determined as part of scope 1 and both primary and secondary activities that purchase electricity, steam, heating, or cooling should be included in scope. The premises and activities should be added to the inventory.

Electric vehicles that are used by the local authority highway department for either primary or secondary activities should be included in scope 2.

It is recommended that FTE working from home should also include their electricity and heating usage in scope 2, measurement details are provided in section 8.2.

The Scope 2 guidance from the GHG Protocol (GHG, 2021b), requires companies to use two reporting methods to disclose their scope 2 emissions, namely:

- · The market-based reporting method
- The location-based reporting method

The local authority highway department should calculate the emissions from their local power grid, using the location-based method. This method reveals what is physically being put into the air. However, it does not account for any choices made regarding electricity purchases.

The market-based method is to specifically look into the contracts with the electric utility provider. This market-based method really gives insights into the emissions the local authority highways department are responsible for through their electricity purchasing decisions. (Ref GHG <u>Protocol</u>) The market-based method can help communicate the efforts made to reduce the carbon footprint through curbing emissions associated with purchased electricity, steam, heating, and cooling.

It is recommended that local authority highways departments look to calculate their emissions using the market-based approach.

Same boundary as scope 1.
Primary and secondary activities that purchase electricity, steam, heating or cooling plus electric vehicles.

Market based reporting recommended

### Tour of guidance and live discussion



#### 8.2. Monitoring and measurement

Once the agreed approach has been determined as per figure 2 the scope 2 emissions can be calculated.

To calculate scope 2 emissions, the Corporate GHG Standard recommends multiplying activity data (KWhs of electricity consumption) by source and supplier-specific emission factors to arrive at the total GHG emissions impact of electricity use.

Emissions = Activity data (kWh) x Emission factor

#### Where:

- Activity data is the amount of electricity purchased and consumed in kilowatt-hours (kWh). This value will generally be directly measured, specified in purchase contracts, or estimated.
- Emission conversion factor as per section 6.3.

If the local authority highways department does not have any energy contracts or power purchase agreements, have not purchased renewable energy certificates (RECs), and do not have a utility-specific emission factor available (all instruments that can convey emission rates for market-based reporting). The local authority highways department is still required to report market-based Scope 2 emissions in this situation if a complete inventory is being reported (as per figure XX). However, if any additional information on power purchases is not available, the market-based emissions can be calculated with a regional grid-average emission factor. In this scenario, market-based Scope 2 emissions will be identical to the location-based Scope 2 emissions.

The location- and market-based Scope 2 totals should not be added together when calculating emissions totals.

Emission factors as per section 6.3

Location-based and market-based totals not added together

#### What's next?



- Review by internal team
- Date for completion: 26th November 2021

#### A closing thought from the literature... (Scope 3)

Having a single national method of calculating the environmental impact of construction underpins the approach as suppliers understand the requirements and the environmental impact of different proposals can be compared (Reeves et al, 2020).



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# Comfort Break 10 Minutes



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### Scope 3: Sector Review

**Research Proposal** 

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### Research Questions & Objectives

**Scope 3 Sector Review & Scoping** 

### Research Objectives



- To provide assessment of the sectors readiness to implement a consistent approach to scope 3 reporting.
- To provide assessment of the current UK & global methods of carbon calculation within the highways sector, in relation to scope 3 specifically.
- Identify the roles and responsibilities of the value chain partners to deliver successful monitoring and ultimately carbon reduction.
- Identify the key issues, costs and benefits arising from scope 3 implementation.
- To determine recommendations for the approach to engaging the sector and developing guidance for scope 3 emissions.

### **Research Questions**



- What is the level of the sectors readiness to implement a consistent approach to Scope 3 reporting?
- How effective are the current UK and global methods of carbon calculation within the highways sector?
- What are the roles and responsibilities of the value chain partners to deliver the change?
- What will enable the increased use of decarbonised solutions within the UK highways sector?
- How can we align the sector to openly collaborate on carbon reduction?
- What are the prioritised areas for further work to maximise the carbon reduction options within the UK highway sector across scopes 1, 2 and 3?







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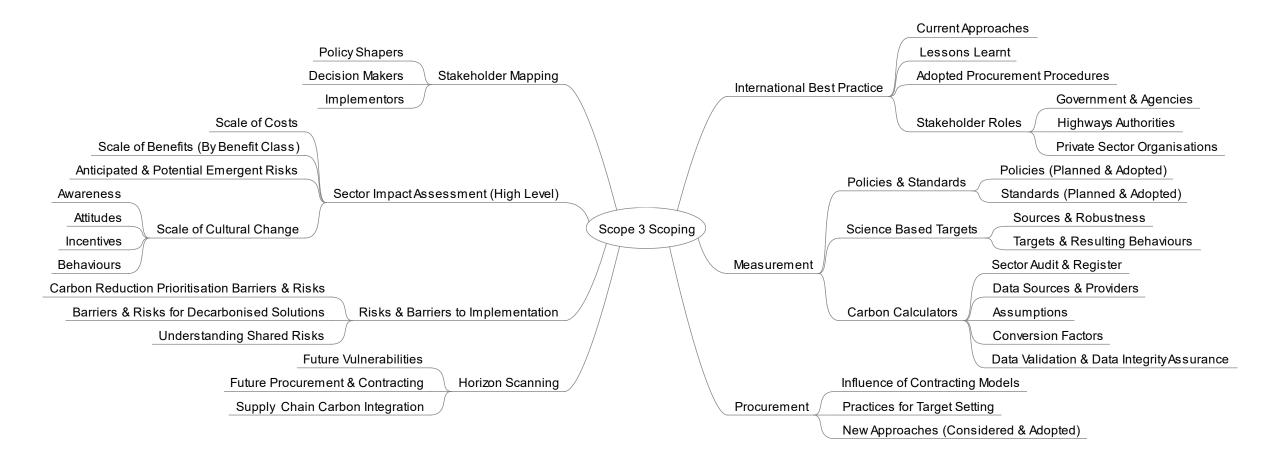


### Research Map

**Scope 3 Sector Review & Scoping** 

### Research Map











### Sector Pledges

**Scope 3 Sector Review & Scoping** 

### Sector Pledges (Proposed Purposes)



#### SEEKING SUPPORT FOR THE REVIEW, A SHARED UNDERSTANDING AND A UNIFIED APPROACH

- Government and agencies
- Highways authorities
- Supply chain partners
- Downstream services and infrastructure users

### SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPED SCOPE 3 GUIDANCE

 Led by the FHRG and supported by pledge partners

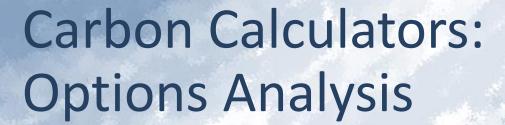
### SUPPORT FOR CONSISTENT MEASURES AND CALCULATORS

- Coordinated by the FHRG
- Creation or sponsorship of a sector-wide carbon calculator

# SUPPORT FOR FUTURE RESEARCH AND SECTOR-WIDE DEVELOPMENT OF CARBON REDUCTION OPTIONS

- Led by the FHRG and partners
- Development of a central options register
- Live Labs 2 Support

- 1. Agree to take part in the research and to coordinate the activity through the FHRG.
- 2. Support the research project through the provision of data or taking part in the engagement.
- 3. Through the research, provide support for down stream activity (funding/time).
- 4. Agree to support the outcome of the research and associated proposals.



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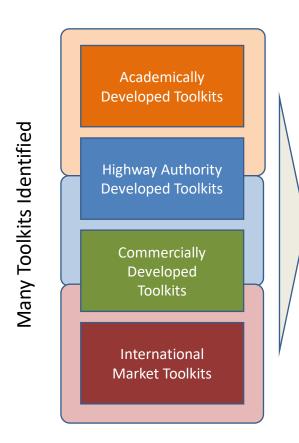
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### Carbon Calculators: Analysis Route Map

Driving A Multi-Vendor, Open Source Approach





**Readiness & Stability Accuracy & Completeness** Ownership (Open Source) **Sector Suitability Factors** Reporting **Tailorability Data Sources** Assessment **Data Calibration Data Security Hosting Requirements Training Requirements Operational Overheads** Support & Development Cost of Ownership Scale of Adoption

Alignment to ADEPT / FHRG Guidance

**Toolkits Report**(Available to FHRG & ADEPT Members)

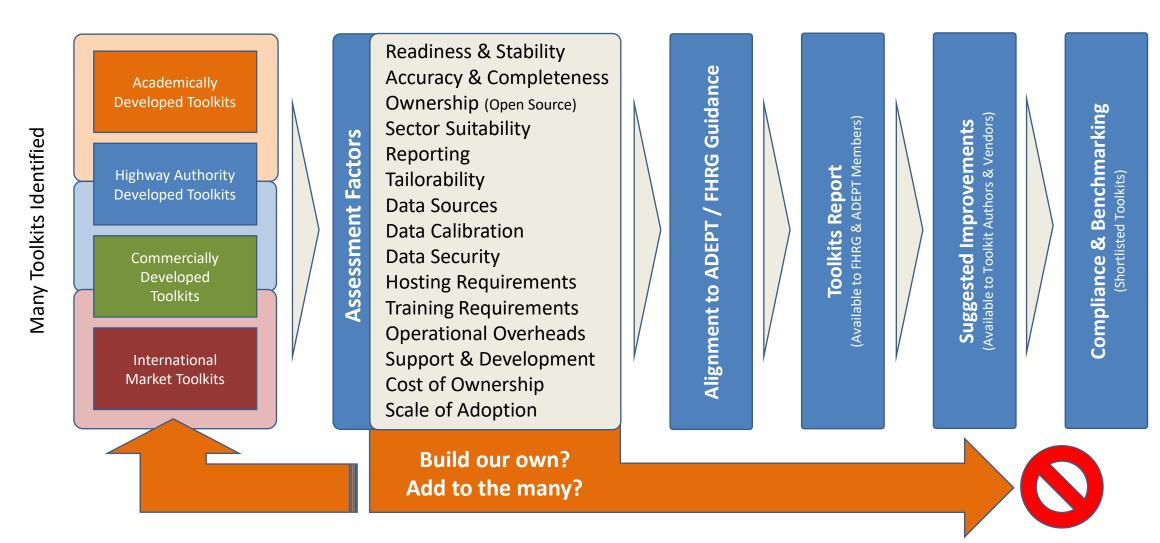
Compliance & Benchmarking

Suggested Improvements
Available to Toolkit Authors & Vendors)

### Carbon Calculators: Analysis Route Map

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### Scope 3: LHA Guidance

**Overview** 

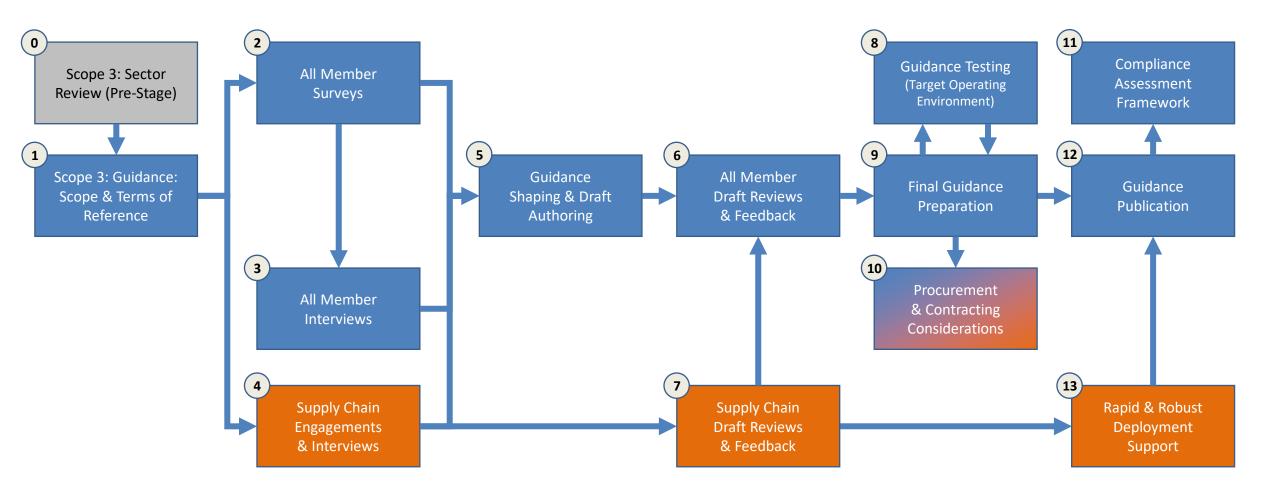
### Scope 3: Highways Authority Guidance



- Commence immediately on completion of the Scope 3: Sector Review.
  - Critical, as most authorities outsource and all have complex supply chains.
  - Informed and shaped by the Scope 3: Sector Review.
- Create pragmatic, readily deployable, LHA specific guidance.
  - Simple, thoughtful and consistent step-by-step guides.
  - Published by ADEPT to all members and the wider sector.
  - Reduce the costs, timescales and risks of Scope 3 implementation.
- Will inform future carbon accounting and management practices.
  - Both client-side and provider-side.
- Provide a foundation for compliance assessments and benchmarking.
  - Based on common frameworks, measures, boundaries, calculations and assumptions.
- Scope 1, 2 & 3 Guidance documents will be reviewed and updated annually.
  - As living documents.

### Scope 3: Guidance: All Member Research Exercise







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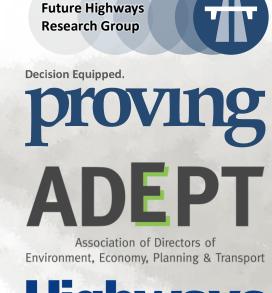


### Zero Carbon Highways: Sector Case Studies

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Case Study #1: Wendover Bypass: Reducing Costs & Carbon

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# Wendover Bypass 'An opportunity to reduce our carbon footprint'

Paul Kidd
Technical Director
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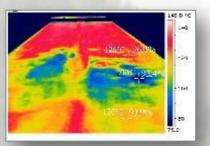








### Our Formula Road Journey....





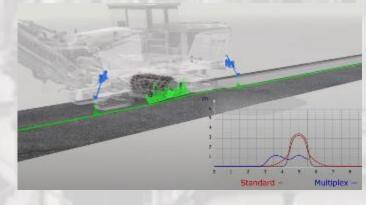






**AUTOMATED COLD** MILLING Mill Assist, Multiplex, WPT









**AUTOMATED** QUALITY ASSURANCE, eLOAD+



**INTELLIGENT COMPACTION** CONTOL, Hybrid

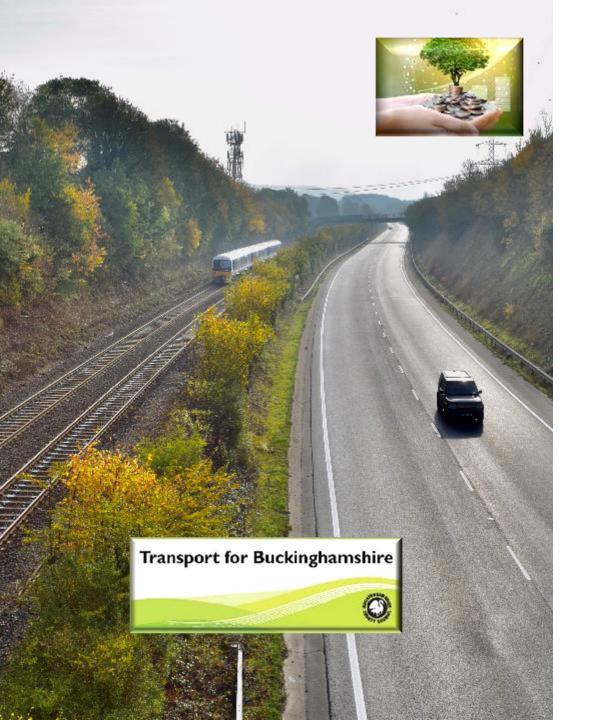




**USE OF FEEDERS** Wide Paving, Rideability & Joint Reduction







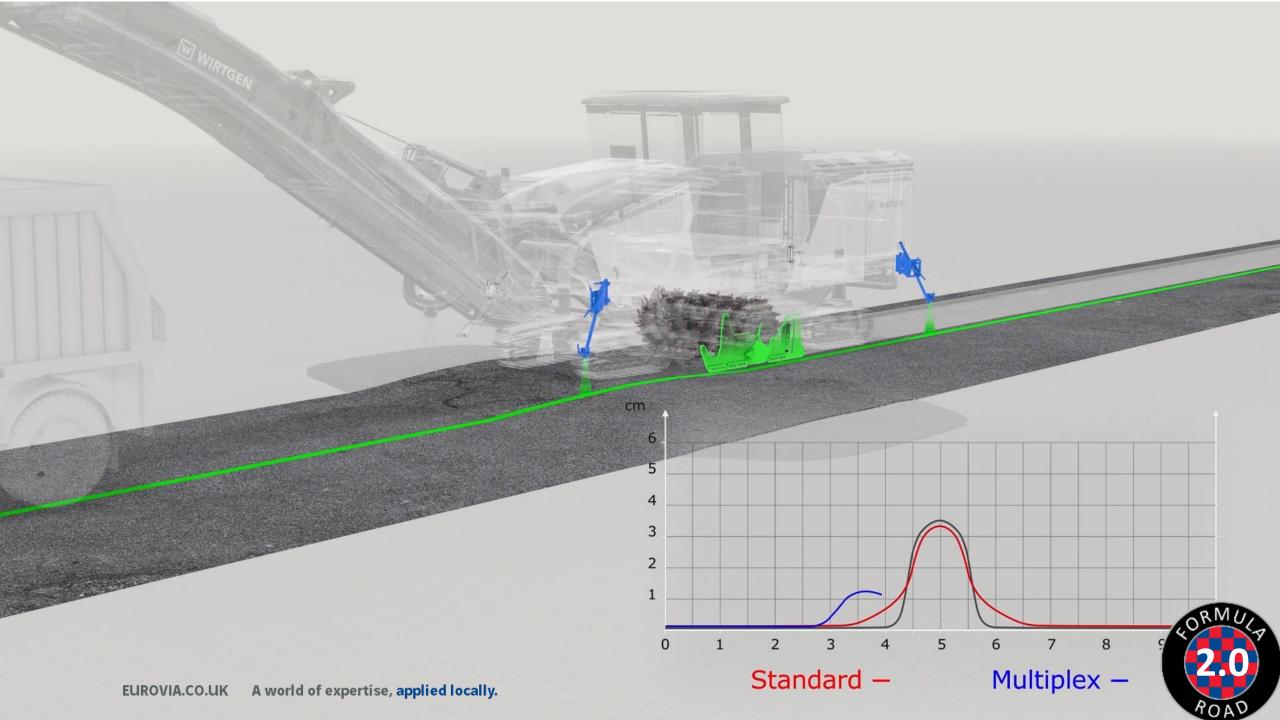
# Wendover Bypass: Case Study



- > Resurfacing: 2km, 12m wide
- > **HS2 Funded:** Circa £1.5m
- > Pavement Design: Quiet asphalt, -5.0dBa
- Early Contractor Involvement: Ringway Jacobs
  - ➤ Design work: Coring, Noise & Rideability (JLUK)
- Efficiency Savings: Outputs & programme
- > Innovations: Planing, Paving & Compaction
- Quality Control & Performance
- Carbon savings?















### Intelligent Rollers – Continuous Compaction Control



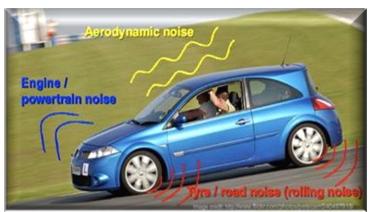




#### The Measured Benefit?



- ✓ Noise Pollution = reduced by 5.2dB
- ✓ Financial Budget = **24% reduction, £361K**
- Carbon Savings = 95,874 KgCO<sub>2</sub>





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## **How Can We Replicate?**



- Easy Intelligence Transfer
- In-house Pavement Design











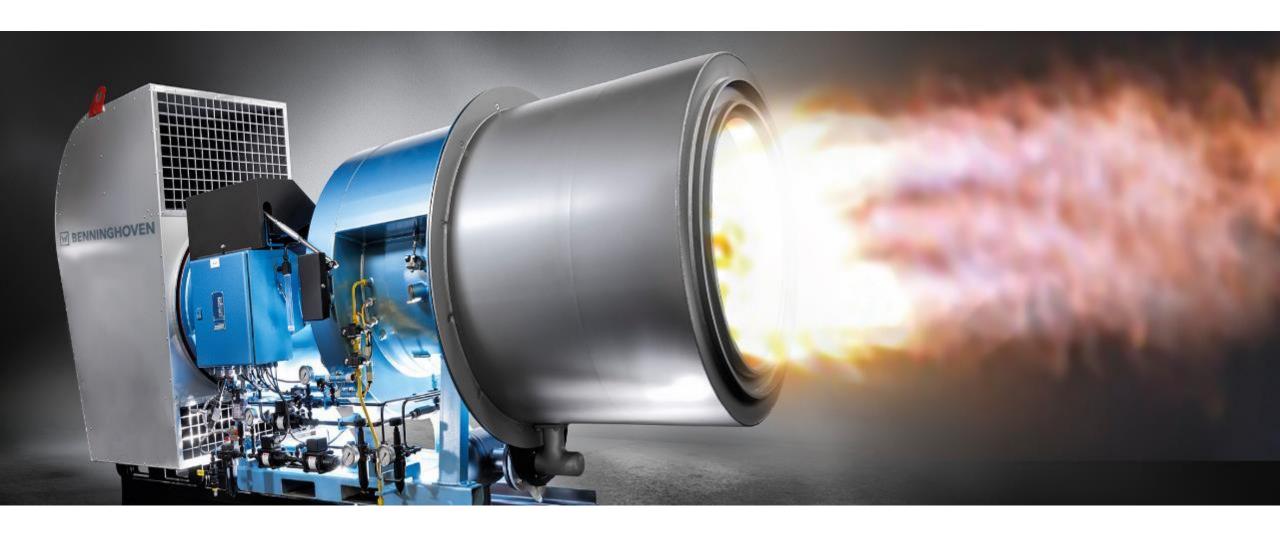
## **Asphalt Production**





## **Drying and Heating Aggregates**





## **Warm Mix Asphalt**







## **Eco-Friendly Technologies & Processes**









## Thank you for listening

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#### **FHRG**

## Introduction to Designing Out Carbon

Jon Casey

#### Achievements to date



Acknowledgement

 Project teams are already doing low carbon design

## Examples – A57



Removal of Roe Cross Link	Significant reduction in scope including reduced earthworks, pavement, drainage,
	lighting and construction of a new junction on Roe Cross Road.
Removal of Cricket Ground	Junction no longer needed following removal of Roe Cross Link. Significant reduction in
Roundabout	scope including reduced earthworks, pavement, drainage and lighting.
Relocate Mottram Underpass to the east	Previous location of underpass required larger diameter for contiguous piled wall due to presence of geological fault to east of eastern portal. Relocation of underpass to the east reduced diameter of piles needed and reliance on specialist piling plant with limited availability.  Minimal impact on overall length of underpass or associated retaining walls.
Replacement of traffic signal	Signal-controlled roundabout replaced with signal-controlled crossroads junction.
controlled roundabout at Mottram	Significant reduction in junction footprint and extent of earthworks, pavement and
Moor junction with a traffic signal	drainage infrastructure. Operational performance of junction also improved.
controlled crossroads junction	
Reduced span at River Etherow Bridge	Span of River Etherow Bridge structure reduced allowing removal of central pier. Flood
	Risk Assessment work completed to demonstrate no adverse impact on flood
	plain. Reduction in size of structure to be constructed.



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More Change Needed

- Earlier: asset planning
- More extensive: range of solutions
- More explicit: recorded/ quantified
- More collaborative: value chain
- More innovative: new ideas

## PAS 2080: Apply Carbon Reduction Hierarchy



# Build nothing:

Evaluate the basic need for an asset and/or programme of works and explore alternative approaches to achieve outcomes.

## **Build less:**

Evaluate the potential for re-using and/or refurbishing existing assets to reduce the extent of new construction required.

# Build clever:

carbon solutions
(including technologies
materials and products)
to minimise resource
consumption during
the construction,
operation and user's
use stages of the asset
or programme of work.

# Build efficiently:

Use techniques (e.g. construction, operational) that reduce resource consumption during the construction and operation phases of an asset or programme of work.



## **Headline Process Changes**



**Existing Processes** Plan Design Construct **New Asset** 

Core Activities, Roles and Outputs Remain

- Carbon Reduction Hierarchy
- Carbon reduction responsibilities
- Value Chain Input
- Carbon Modelling and Options Assessment

Updated Processes – PAS 2080

Strategic planning

Revised processes and thinking planning

New Lower Carbon Asset

Construct

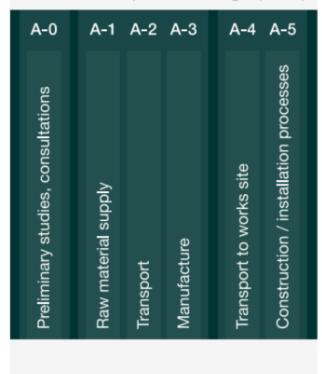
## Think on a Whole Life Cycle Basis



#### Before use stage

#### A0-5

Pre-construction stage (A0)
Product stage (A1-3)
Construction process stage (A4-5)

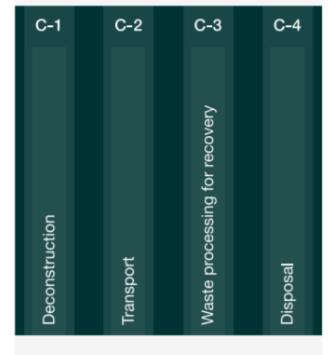


## Use stage B1-9 Use stage B-5 **B-1** B-2 B-3 B-4 Refurbishment Replacement Maintenance Operational energy use Operational water use Other operaional processes Users utilisation of infrastructure

#### End of life stage

#### C1-4

#### End of life stage





## Develop Programme/ Project Processes to Enable Carbon Reduction



#### Integrated carbon reduction thinking into asset/programme/project processes

- Always be asking, 'what are the carbon implication of this'?
- Record design developments and decisions that improve carbon performance

Engagement across the project team including client, designer, constructor and materials suppliers to determine best options

• Think and discuss much more broadly on what a solution needs to be

Develop a clear action plan

Create a focused list of actions to be undertaken to reduce whole life emissions

Ensure that carbon reduction is addressed at all key decision making points

Make sure knowledge of carbon performance is developed to inform decision making



## Apply Innovation and Efficiency Improvements



Recognise that existing innovations and efficiency improvements are very likely delivering carbon reduction

Recognise that innovation and efficiency improvements are key to carbon reduction going forwards



#### **Assess Carbon Performance**



#### Assess quickly using materials, plant and energy quantities as proxies

• More concrete in one option vs another will be higher carbon

#### Calculate carbon for more complex decision making

• This can be quick and high level, as well as more detailed

#### Calculate to assess hotspots

Any level of detail

#### Calculate at end of project stage

• Create a carbon model to show end of stage performance, as required

#### Calculation case studies:

• www.carboncritical.com/knowledgebase



### Report Progress, Achievements, Next Steps



## Produce a project stage output report

- Define carbon management undertaken
- Carbon reductions achieved
- Actions for the next project stage to ensure continuation of reduction initiatives



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INTEGRITY

We do the right thing, no matter what, and are accountable for our actions.

COLLABORATION

We work together and embrace each other's unique contribution to deliver amazing results for all.

NOVATION

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### **Carbon Reduction Options Library**



Authority
Projects / Options
(Including Lab Reviews)

Private Sector Projects / Options

Adjacent Sector Projects / Options

## Innovations Portfolio

Curated by the FHRG and free to use and contribute.

**Building on Live Labs I, Supporting Live Labs II** 

#### **Option Description**

Benefits (Financial, Environmental, Social, ...)

Dis-benefits (Financial, Environmental, Social, ...)

**Costs, Timescales, Resources** 

**Risks & Barriers** 

Stakeholder Impact



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## **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

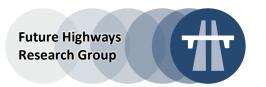
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## **Proposed Upcoming Meetings & Events**



- Scope 1 & 2 Guidance Publishing
  - 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022 (Online Event)
- Human Capital Research Programme: Roundtable Launch Event
  - December 2021, To Be Scheduled (Method & Date Poll)
- Political Engagement: Roundtable Discussion
  - January 2022, To Be Scheduled (Method & Date Poll)
- FHRG Meeting (Members Only)
  - 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022?, To Be Scheduled (Cranfield + Virtual, Date Poll)
- Scope 3: Sector Review Publishing
  - March 2022, To Be Scheduled (Online Event)
- ADEPT / FHRG: Spring Highways Innovation Conference
  - April 2022, To Be Scheduled (Cranfield + Virtual, Date Poll)
- Scope 3: Guidance Publishing
  - May 2022, To Be Scheduled (Cranfield + Virtual, Date Poll)

### Return to Cranfield University





- Subject to COVID, from Q1-2022 we hope to return to Cranfield University School of Management, CMDC for our conferences and meetings.
- We want to provide a forum for networking and sharing ideas.
- Cranfield can accommodate both physical and virtual attendees.
- The first FHRG meeting will include a pre-event dinner for members.



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