# Carbon Reduction Plan

## **Commitment to achieving Net Zero**

Aquinas Education Ltd is committed to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2035.

## **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: 2021   Additional Details relating to the Baseline Emissions calculations.   This is our first report and therefore our baseline emissions are the same as our current emissions reporting.   Baseline year emissions:			
		1 Jan 2021 – 31 Dec 2021	
		EMISSIONS	TOTAL (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
		Scope 1	0
Scope 2	4.07		
Scope 3	1,790.32		
Total Emissions	1,794.39		

• The calculation used a spend-based approach with a calculator based on the GHG

Protocol using publicly available emissions factors, available at:

https://gocardless102.outgrow.us/ghg-calculator

During the reporting year we had an average of 26 employees.

## **Emissions reduction targets**

In order to achieve Net Zero by 2035, we have adopted the following interim carbon reduction targets.

• halve our emissions as a company in six years (2029) and then to eliminate the remaining halve by 2035.

## **Carbon Reduction Projects**

**Completed carbon reduction initiatives** 



As this is our first report we have no carbon reduction initiatives to report on reducing from our baseline measurement year. We have completed an initial measurement and identified future initiatives.

#### Planned carbon reduction initiatives

We have identified a set of initiatives to explore and enact to bring our emissions down beginning with the areas where our emissions are greatest and we have the largest scope for significant reductions, as well as those that are simple to enact.

#### Reductions for Scope 2 emissions

Scope 2 only have minimal potential impact on our company emissions, however we can still try to make reductions.

• Give better controls on heating and cooling within our office units

#### Reductions for Scope 3 emissions

- A large percentage of this was travel via Taxis, we will aim to reduce this need and try where possible to use public transport.
- Extending the life of computer equipment e.g. laptops/monitors, through reinforcing employee care and a commitment to servicing where possible
- Buying refurbished computers where possible
- Recycling and reselling used 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>1</sup> 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:

Nicola Anderson Compliance Manager

Date: .....26/04/2023.....