

THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF FAN MAKERS

CLIMATE AND BIODIVERSITY ACTION COMMITTEE

Climate Action Plan - Issue version 04

Introduction

The Worshipful Company of Fan Makers (WCFM) recognise the impacts that climate change is having on the world. Whilst our Livery Company is without halls, the range of activities and therefore positive influence that our members can have is significant, through the arts and craft of handheld fans to the application of modern fan technology.

In 2024 global temperatures averaged 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels resulting in widespread disruption to both nature and humanity in almost every way imaginable. The Worshipful Company of Fan Makers have a very diverse membership, and our members have been active in many sectors and a predominant involvement in the built environment sector and the associated supply chains which currently make up 40% of the worlds carbon emissions, and if left unchecked are predicted to double by 2050.

This Climate Action Plan has been developed to capture these activities whilst considering the Commitments, Disclosures, Actions, Verification and Advocacy needed, in line with the values of the Worshipful Company of Fan Makers.

Background

The UK Climate Change Act 2008 was amended in 2019 with the long-term target amended to Net Zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, to reflect the increased ambition of the 2015 UN Paris Agreement and wider updates to the evidence base on tackling climate change.

In October 2020 the City of London Corporation published its Climate Action Strategy for 2020-27 including an intention for the Square Mile to achieve net zero emissions by 2040.

The Livery Climate Action Group (LCAG) was formed in 2021 to assist City of London Livery Companies and Guilds to manage their impact on climate change and the environment by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and making responsible use of resources. Founder and chair Alderman Alison Gowman CBE actively encourages all to participate for maximum impact.

We joined the LCAG in August 2023 and have consulted with the available resources including other Livery Companies exemplars in producing this detailed Climate Action Plan.

Development of the Plan

A survey in October 2023 found significant interest and enthusiasm amongst our membership for taking action to address the effects of climate change and the biodiversity crisis.

Our Climate & Biodiversity action Committee (CBAC) was formed in September 2023 to create positive change through research, investigation, engagement, dialogue and leadership.

We undertook a Materiality Exercise in August 2024 which examined the most impactful and important topics to pursue internally within the membership activities and externally for people and the environment.



From the outcomes of this we agreed that the Climate & Biodiversity Action Committee's efforts would be centred around: -

- 1. **Operational carbon** and the facilities we use
- 2. **Social value** through the charities and educational work we do
- 3. **Leadership and advocacy** through our schools, institutions and affiliations
- 4. **Setting an example** through our sustainable practices

Our commitments

The LCAG website provides guidance on how to establish and build a Livery Climate Action Plan. This is a long-term requirement of LCAG membership. The WCFM have followed this guidance to create this plan and have consulted widely in doing so.

The resultant WCFM Climate Action Plan is set out in this document, which comprises the following sections: -

WCFM Climate Action Commitment, Aims and Objectives

WCFM Climate Action Strategy

WCFM Carbon Baseline Measurement

WCFM Climate Action Commitment, Aims and Objectives

The Lord Mayor and the City of London Corporation have committed to a Climate Action Strategy for 2020-2027 which has three primary aims:

- 1. To support the achievement of net zero carbon emissions
- 2. To build climate resilience
- 3. To champion sustainable growth

We share the Lord Mayor and Corporation's vision of a responsible, sustainable and competitive City of London. We commit to helping to achieve the aims and objectives in the City's Climate Action Strategy.

Our purpose

We developed our purpose which aligns with the Worshipful Company of Fan Makers values:-

To create positive change by harnessing our creativity, energy, expertise, knowledge and influence.

Our mission

To maximise the contribution we can make as Fan Makers commensurate with the scale of the crises to: -

- the **City** of London
- our **Company** (including Committees)
- our **Community**

Accordingly, our Company is committed to establishing a Climate Action Plan to work towards reducing its impact on the environment and will encourage its stakeholders and associated networks to do the same.

WCFM Climate Action Strategy

As a non-hall owning Livery Company, and in line with the agreed LCAG carbon baselining and measuring methodologies, our annual emissions have been calculated to be relatively small, around 32 Tonnes CO₂ equivalent per annum. The detail of this is set out in Section 3 of this Plan. We are committed to find ways to reduce our annual carbon footprint.

It is our ability to influence, within our affiliations and networks and our strong focus on positive social value that have the most material significance to support the achievement of our Climate & Biodiversity Action Aims and Objectives and it is therefore this area, that we will focus our efforts.

Set up of task groups

- Our plan
- Our impact
- Our social value
- Our engagement including supporting LCAG as follows

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Oversight of plan	All		
Coordination of activiti	All		
Leadership & advocacy			All
Our Plan	Our Impact	Our Social Value	Engagement
Develop the Climate	Measurement of our	Develop a focused	Develop an
& Biodiversity Action	carbon footprint –	community approach	engagement strategy
Plan	Scope 1,2 and 3		
Review other Livery	Data collection	Through charities	With LCAG
Co plans - Climate	Annual summaries	Through advection	Mith Industry
Action Plans - Livery	Annual summaries	Through education	With Industry
Climate Action Group	Benchmarking	Involvement with	Through membership
Reporting	Initiatives	LCAG	Through affiliations
Draft outline plan	Calculating your	Involvement with	Via events etc
(see attached)	Company's Carbon	Pollinating London	
,	Footprint - Livery	Together	
	Climate Action Group		
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	Heart of the City		
	<u>Carbon Calculator -</u>		
	Heart of the City		

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WCFM Task Group	Outline Strategy	Proposed actions and deliverables
CBAC	Governance & oversight of plan	
	Coordination of activities	
	Leadership & advocacy	Affiliate organisations (see connections diagram)
		Application of fan technology
		Sharing knowledge
		Institutions e.g. CIBSE
		Schools
		Involvement in City of London Plans
Our Plan	Develop the Climate & Biodiversity Action Plan	Industry - leveraging Water consumption
	Blodiversity Action Flan	Waste management
		Sustainable food choices
		Sustainable transport
		Sustainable materials
		Supplier engagement
		Correspondence/paper etc
Our Impact	Measurement of our carbon footprint – Scope 1,2 and 3	Operational carbon
		Facilities we use
Our Social Value	Develop a focused community approach	Charities and volunteering
		Bursaries and support initiatives
		Pollinating London Together
	Aligned with climate and biodiversity	CIBSE
		Schools
		Skills & training - apprenticeships

	Nature/biodiversity	Saddlers Hall
Our Engagement	Develop an engagement strategy	Engage with the Livery Climate Action Group (LCAG) to share knowledge, targets and progress.
		Liaise with the other Fan Maker Committees to encourage the agreed sustainable principles are adopted through all areas of the Company's activities for maximum positive impact, advocacy and leadership.
		Opportunities for increased profile and knowledge sharing
		Committee & membership
		Meeting formats

WCFM Carbon Baseline Measurement

To support achievement of 'Net Zero Carbon Emissions' and address climate change we must first measure and understand the scale of current WCFM activity through our Scope 1,2 and 3 emissions.

LCAG have agreed on the methodology for these baselining calculations, bearing in mind the nature of the Liveries movement and the 'SME' status of the organisations involved. Baseline emissions measurements are a record of the greenhouse gases (GHG) that have been produced in a given period 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, in later years.

LCAG have confirmed for non-hall owning Companies such as WCFM the following:-

- GHG Protocol Scope 1 (fossil fuel burning) and Scope 2 emissions (purchased electricity) are not applicable, and not to be used within the Baseline Calculation for non-hall owning companies
- GHG Protocol Scope 3 emissions for Water and Waste from Operations are not applicable and not to be used within the Baseline Calculation for non-hall owning companies

The WCFM Charitable Funds have been assumed at this time for Scope 3 emissions related to Investments are not applicable as all WCFN investments are within 'ESG Funds'. This assumption will need to be tested in the next iteration of this analysis.

For the purpose of calculating our carbon baseline we have surveyed our Livery members and received a good response with each identifying their travel arrangements associated with the WCFM's business and social activities. This has been converted into carbon consumption based on recognised carbon emission rates for each type of travel, private vehicle, public transport, air, etc.. The data collected from the respondents to our survey have been treated as a representative sample, averaged and multiplied to give a best estimate for the WCFM carbon emissions associated with the Company's business and social activity.

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Baseline year emissions Data using the calculation methodology agreed by CAG				
Emissions	Total (tCO ₂ e)			
Scope 1	0			
Scope 2	0			
Scope 3 (Included sources)	ope 3 (Included sources) 32.8 Tonnes CO₂e (Total)			
Scope 3 emissions breakdown as follows		s follows		
	Subsets	Tonnes CO₂e		
	Meals	Excluded as per LCAG		
	Business travel	Included		
	Business travel accommodation	0		
	Employees working from home	0		
	Water	Excluded as per LCAG		
	Waste from operations	Excluded as per LCAG		
	Purchased goods and services	Excluded as per LCAG		
	Investments	Assumed as ESG compliant to be reviewed during ongoing process.		
Total emissions	(Total)	32.8 Tonnes CO₂e		

This Baseline Emissions Calculation will be used to determine to Carbon Reduction measures that will be implemented going forwards.

This Climate Action Plan has been prepared by the WCFM Climate & Biodiversity Action Committee and has been reviewed and authorised by Peter Anderson, Chair

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Carbon Model Summary



