



Alliance Cleaning Carbon Commitments

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Our Sustainability Plan focuses on six areas:

1. **combating climate change**
2. environmentally friendly cleaning products
3. sustainable solutions for our clients
4. ethical cleaning practices
5. our standards
6. communication & engagement

The commitments on this document give you a sense of our activities to **combat climate change**.

Carbon Reduction

The carbon footprint for our head office and our transport fleet was 100 tonnes in 2009-10. We aim to reduce this by 24% in 2011, with the long-term aim of being a zero carbon business.

Our strategy includes investing in our fleet vehicles, replacing old office equipment with new more efficient items, and purchasing more energy efficient hoovers. We are also looking into renewable energy options for our head office.

During 2011 we are also going to expand the measurement of carbon to include the energy and water used at client sites – so that we can begin to understand how to reduce this with and for our clients.

Transport

As part of the drive to reduce our carbon footprint our goal is to have all our vehicles emitting less than 110 gCO₂/km before the end of 2011. We expect to achieve this aim eight months early.

Carbon Neutrality

As a business we have made the decision that from 2010 onwards, whatever carbon we cannot remove from the business, we are going to offset to the most exacting standards in the world (i.e. following the principles of PAS 2060: Specification for the demonstration of carbon neutrality).

As our workforce is ethnically diverse, we are going to offset our emissions in forestry or technology schemes that are happening in countries and regions of the world that represent the nationalities of our people.