

# Vigilance Carbon Reduction Plan 2025

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The following report is based on our Carbon emissions for 2024

## Targets

Vigilance has set itself a target to exceed the Government's expectations of achieving Carbon Net Zero emissions by 2050. Instead, Vigilance has committed to achieving Carbon Net Zero emissions by 2030, a goal which we are already substantially on the way to achieving.

## B Corp

Vigilance succeeded in 2022, delivering on its Corporate Social Responsibility ambitions by becoming the first and currently the only UK (*and globally*) self delivering licensed security company to achieve certified B Corp status. It is now one of only 1000 companies to achieve this exceptional feat, which highlights the strength of the company's commitment to improving its Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance. Vigilance is incredibly excited to join the B Corp community of companies committed to becoming a force for good in the world. Learn more about Vigilance and B Corp here: <https://www.bcorporation.net/en-us/find-a-b-corp/company/vigilance-properties-ltd>

## Baseline

Vigilance recorded its baseline carbon emissions for the first time in 2021. We recorded scopes 1, 2 and 3 and have used this data to report against. It is worth noting however, that the business was still largely impacted by Covid 19, and as result, our baseline data shows slightly reduced emissions than we would have expected.

## 2024 Emissions

The following table breaks down our overall carbon footprint:

	Baseline year Emissions (2021)	GHG emissions 2024 in tonnes of CO2
SCOPE 1	96.823	59.74
SCOPE 2	0.6879	1.15
SCOPE 3 ( <i>included sources</i> )	14.66	21.3
<b>TOTAL EMISSIONS</b>	<b>112.7</b>	<b>82.19</b>

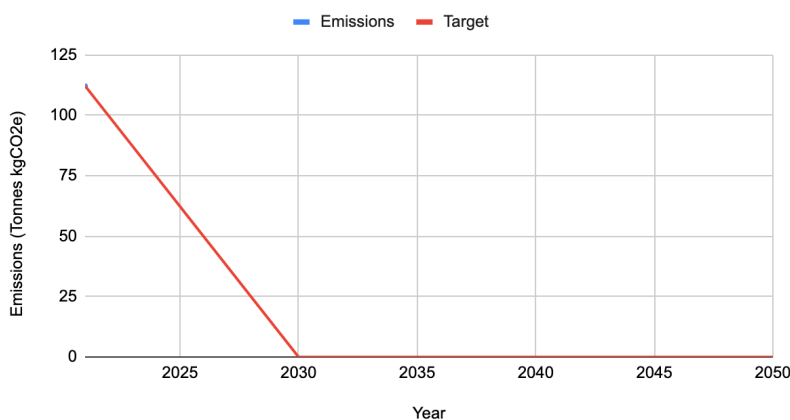
## Success

In 2024, our business experienced substantial growth of 30.3%. Despite this, our dedicated efforts enabled us to achieve a significant **12.81%** reduction in carbon emissions over the year. When adjusted to account for our business growth, this achievement translates to an impressive **33.07%** reduction in emissions, underscoring our commitment to sustainable practices.

As we strive towards our ambitious goal of achieving Carbon Net Zero by 2030, it is essential that we sustain and build on these reductions each year. A key highlight this year was the reduction of our Scope 1 emissions by **17.88%**, made possible through initiatives such as the adoption of solar pod generators in place of traditional fuel-based solutions.

## Emission Reduction Targets

Total Emissions and Target



## Carbon Offsetting

This year, Vigilance has chosen to discontinue the offsetting of its carbon emissions through the purchase of carbon credits. Instead, we have redirected these funds to sponsor impactful UK-based projects, such as the Peatland Restoration Project in Norfolk, in partnership with the Broads Authority.

We believe these initiatives provide a more meaningful contribution to the fight against climate change, enabling us to actively participate in and directly support sustainable solutions. By focusing on localised efforts, Vigilance strengthens its commitment to driving long-term environmental impact and fostering a more hands-on approach to achieving our sustainability goals.

### **Generator Fuel**

In 2021 69.2% of Vigilance's emissions came from our need for generators at some of the locations we protect. Whilst this continues to be completely unavoidable, opting to connect our cabins directly into power sources, and utilising new technology like the solarpod generator, we have seen a **38.3%** decrease in our overall emissions from generator fuel. Whilst delivery of biofuels for our small needs is still unachievable nationwide, we will continue to work with our suppliers on developing a viable solution for the future.

### **Gas Supply**

Whilst our baseline figures reflect the figures of our main office being run on a boiler and central heating system, in 2022 we installed an air source heating system for both the main office and the control room and although the additional office would normally add to our GHG output, by switching to an air source solution our overall figures have been lowered to zero. Our head office natural gas connection has now been terminated.

### **Purchased Electricity**

In Vigilance's bid to achieve carbon net Zero, we made the easy decision to switch to a green energy supplier in 2021 to provide all of our office electricity. Our purchased emissions have risen slightly as we removed the requirement for a gas supply, however the emission total for electricity is significantly lower than what we would have expected in gas consumption emissions.

### **Business Travel**

Business travel still makes up a significant amount of our overall emissions and rose again slightly in 2024. Vigilance has opted into a salary sacrifice scheme with Octopus energy and is encouraging employees to make the switch to electric vehicles. Vigilance also encourages all employees to use sustainable methods of travel instead such as trains and/or public transport.

### **Declaration and Sign Off**

This Carbon Reduction Plan has been completed in accordance with PPN 06/21 and associated guidance and reporting standards 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.

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.

This carbon reduction plan has been reviewed and approved by the board of directors.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Seb Mackenzie-Wilson".

Signed

Seb Mackenzie-Wilson, CEO Vigilance Properties Ltd

Date:20/01/2025

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ghgprotocol.org/corporate-standard>