

Growing Climate Confidence Report

Supporting Scotland's Third Sector towards **Net Zero**

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21%



Your Report Overview

Thank you for taking the Growing Climate Confidence checklist

Over the next few weeks, we'll be sending you tailored tips based on your answers to help you get started and keep up momentum on your journey.

If you would like further guidance and support, don't forget to check the [Climate Confident website](#).

In the following sections we'll take a look at where the key areas of your emissions are, and where you should be focusing your efforts to maximise your positive impact.

We've scored you against the following key areas

Engagement

83%

Campaigning & Advocacy

Travel

7%

Buy & Sell

38%

Waste

0%

Buildings & Energy

0%

Your Overall Climate Result

Taking the checkup is the first step on your journey and there are lots of things you can do now to make progress quickly.

Your result gives you a rapid assessment of how far you are on your sustainability journey - don't be disheartened if it seems low, we all have to make a start. In the next few weeks we'll give you ideas of where you can start taking action.

**Your overall
result is:**

21%

In the next few weeks we'll give you tips via email on how to bring others with you and accelerate climate action.

Tips to improve your Buildings & Energy score

Getting to grips with where energy is being used and potentially lost is a key way to save cash as well as carbon emissions. Finding alternative ways of powering our lives and reducing our energy use is at the heart of tackling climate change.



- **Check all lighting and upgrade to LEDs.**
- **Draughtproof your building.**
- **Set heating and lighting on a timer so that it turns off out of hours.**
- **Buy smart plugs and set timers on high energy devices.**

Tips to improve your Travel score



How we travel has a big impact on our environment and for small organisations can account for the biggest source of carbon emissions.

By focusing on when and how you travel, organisations and workplaces can reduce emissions. In Scotland, transport accounts for 25% of total emissions so it's a good area to think through and make changes to have an impact.

Where possible we recommend the below, however appreciate it can be difficult depending on your location:

- **Check your places for secure cycle storage and install where appropriate.**
- **Engage with the council on active travel schemes locally.**
- **Consider electric vehicle charging installations.**
- **Where possible, use the trains, trams and buses rather than private vehicles.**
- **Conduct a travel survey with visitors and staff. How would they *like* to get to you?**

Tips to improve your Buy & Sell score

Supply chain challenges are the biggest emissions for any organisation, and it will take time to successfully reduce this. This can be a hidden part of your footprint but often the most exciting to engage with and change, as it can bring new opportunities to approach how you do things.



Keep going with the good work!

- **Find new local suppliers within your region.**
- **Bring consumable metrics such as a mount spent into monthly meetings and reporting.**
- **Find second hand suppliers for reuse of commonly used items.**

Tips to improve your Waste score

It's so important to recycle but we also need to think about how we can minimise the amount of valuable materials and resources that end up in landfill.

Tackling your waste can be an easy place to start because it's so visible and engaging people on it is relatively easy! If you don't know where to start:



- **Segregate your recycling into glass, paper, card, aluminium, food waste and general waste.**
- **Use weighing hooks to get a weekly idea of how much you are throwing away.**
- **Track this over time and report to the team, so you can understand which waste you are producing the most of.**

Tips to improve your Engagement score



The biggest impact anyone can have on climate change is by using their voice.

For many third sector organisations this will be an area where you can have a significant impact through trusted and community led action.

Keep going! Starting conversations and sharing your actions is a great way to keep up climate momentum.

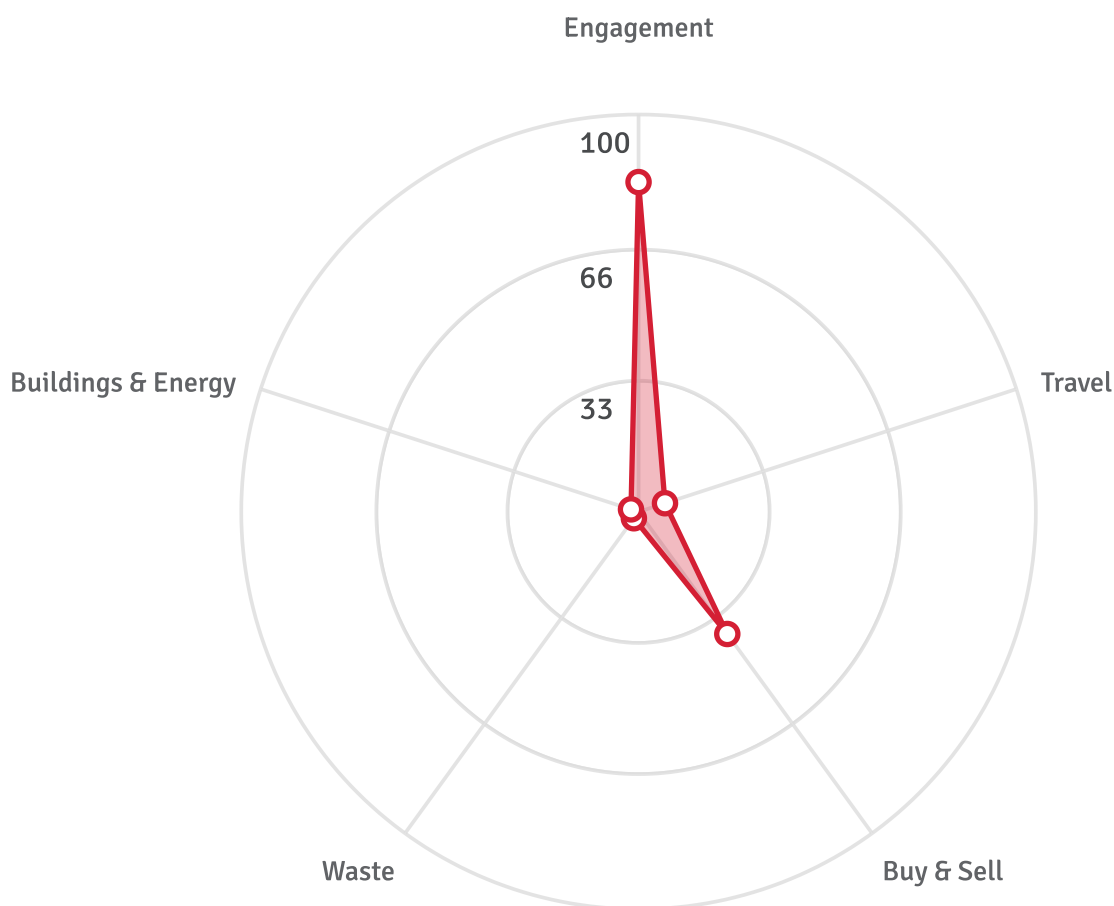
- **Sustainability is about the ability to sustain - ensure senior leaders understand the relevance and risks of inaction on decisions.**
- **Keep discussing common topics in the workplace.**
- **Support volunteers on how to start conversations with others.**

Summary

The below spider graph shows the key areas to focus on first.

Where are the gaps that you have the biggest weaknesses on? Focus your time here!

Where are the areas you are the strongest on? Focus on sharing your successes with others.



A low score is represented with a dot in the red area, while a high score will see the dot further out in the green.

We've included this graph to give you a quick snapshot of where you're at, and which areas of your organisation you may want to focus your efforts on.

Don't worry, in the coming weeks we'll be giving you some ideas on what actions to take, **so** keep an eye out for emails from us.