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Executive Summary

Introduction

This document summarises the activity and findings of the Zero Carbon Roadmap exercise carried out by LASER for Thanet District Council (TDC), with the key elements, findings and next steps summarised in the Executive Summary.

Following the initial project initiation meeting, LASER progressed through a number of steps in conjunction with TDC to quantify the Council's carbon footprint. This was to help TDC understand what measures could be taken to diminish these emissions, with the ultimate aim of achieving net zero by 2030. This report mirrors these steps and goes on to give additional explanation around areas, such as zero carbon electricity supply options and offsetting - which are extremely important considerations in this context. Finally, the report goes on to draw the findings together and identifies the most efficacious actions that the Council could take.

Process & Key Points

The following stages were carried out for the project:

- Scoping
- Data collection
- Footprints & Business as Usual forecast
- Options appraisal workshop
- Carbon reduction modelling

Each stage is summarised below with key points and further details can be found in the main body of this report.

1. A scope was defined in order to frame the target. This was based on the operational control consolidation approach and the premise of including

outsourced contracts which would likely be provided by TDC if they had not been contracted out, for example the two leisure centres. Therefore, the following areas were included:

- Core Estate
- Waste collection and street cleaning
- Grounds maintenance
- Crematorium
- Ports and harbours
- Your Leisure (Ramsgate and Hartsdown Leisure Centres)
- Civica
- Kent Innovation Centre
- 2. For areas identified within the project scope data was collected, where available, for the below emission sources:
 - Gas
 - Fuel for stationary combustion
 - Fuel for owned vehicles
 - Fugitive emissions (F-Gas that has escaped to the atmosphere from air conditioning, refrigeration and other heat transfer systems)
 - Electricity
 - Grey fleet (employees using their own vehicles for business travel
 - Water
 - Waste

This data was quality assessed by LASER and were necessary, recommendations provided for actions to remedy any issues or concerns.

- 3. TDC's carbon footprint was calculated based on FY 2019/20 data and was 4,054 tCO₂e. It was shown to be dominated by the fuel use for TDC's owned vehicles, in particular the waste carriers and gas for the estates and two leisure centres.
- 4. Business As Usual forecast shows that emissions will continue to drop without further activity by TDC, mainly because of reducing electricity grid emissions, however this will plateau at around 71% of current emissions by 2050.
- 5. An option appraisal workshop was carried out with TDC Directors and Senior Officers from multiple departments. This was to help LASER understand which issues, subjects and concerns were of importance to the Council, and to help LASER align carbon reduction modelling with TDC's net zero journey.
- 6. A carbon reduction model was generated for TDC, assessing carbon emissions and high-level financial implications for chosen Carbon Reduction Options and assumptions.

To be net zero by 2030 the Council will need to invest £9.640m and there will be savings of £4.070m resulting in a net position of -£5.570m. By 2050, investment will increase to £29.109m with savings of £20.811m and a net position of -£8.298m. (These figures are cumulative).

The two areas with the largest investment costs were the introduction of electric vehicles into TDC's fleet (mainly the waste carrier vehicles) and the heat pumps. By 2030, the investment cost for EV replacements and heat pumps will be around 20% and 63% of the overall investment cost respectively. By 2050, the investment cost for EVs increases to 75% of the overall investment required.

In 2030, there will be 1,347 tCO₂e remaining from the carbon footprint of 4,054 tCO₂e after the assumed Carbon Reduction Options have taken place. Carbon emissions will drop to 1,117 tCO₂e by 2050, mainly due to the assumption that the crematorium would be electrified by 2036. According to the government's central forecast, the cost to offset the remaining tCO₂e by 2030 is £0.109m and £3.978m

by 2050. Forecast costs to offset are variable, with the government providing a low and a high forecast – the below table shows the associated costs:

	2030	2050
	£m	£m
	(Cumulative)	(Cumulative)
Low Forecast	-0.054	-1.899
High Forecast	-0.163	-5.696

Table 1. Offsetting costs for 2030 and 2050 for low and high forecast

7. In order to align with science-based targets and contribute their fair share of emissions reductions determined under the Paris Agreement, a rapid reduction in TDC's emissions would be required, a cut of 46% by 2025. At current emission levels, TDC would use their entire carbon budget to 2100 by 2026.

Key Findings

- Substantial early action is needed to align with Paris Agreement pathway.
- In order to reach net zero as many vehicles as possible within the TDC fleet should be electrified.
- Firming up a strategy around estate rationalisation is vital to help TDC understand the extent of how this can contribute to meeting their net zero target, the associated financial benefits, and with planning of Carbon Reduction Options, such as LED and heat pump installation.
- Determining actions in retained buildings within an estate decarbonisation plan will be key for TDC in understanding how their net zero target can be reached, with steps taken to understand the feasibility of installing heat pumps in areas with a large gas consumption.

- Less significant emission sources should be addressed such as water and equipment.
- For electricity, a procurement strategy for green energy can help abate associated emissions.
- The carbon reduction model generated relied on some carbon offsetting to achieve net zero by 2030. There are inherent risks with this as the offsetting market is an evolving market and difficult to predict and it is important to highlight that there would be no financial returns or saving from offsetting.

Next Steps

Following the work carried out by LASER, the below next steps are recommended for consideration by TDC with further details provided on pages 50-51.

- 1. Carry out electrification feasibility studies for car derived vans and waste carrier vehicles.
- 2. Determine estate future.
- 3. Complete a full estate decarbonisation plan for retained buildings and investigate the feasibility of heat pumps.
- 4. Address less significant emissions sources, for example from water and equipment.
- 5. Procure green energy for estate.
- 6. Investigate offsetting options.
- 7. Update carbon footprint.

LASER would be happy to assist in either more detailed action planning or modelling of particular options and helping deliver activities via our public sector frameworks.

Important points to note on interpreting this document

- Analysis of financial impacts is based on energy costs only. For example, the savings stated from reducing the size of the estate only account for reductions in energy costs and does not take into account revenue from selling or leasing properties.
- Many of these actions are financially prohibited and TDC, where available, will need to source funding and assistance.
- This is an evolving strategy that can be refined, but allows TDC to understand their current position, the challenge and options to meet the challenge.
- There are not defined regulations or conventions at this time around reporting emissions from green energy, so decisions will need to be made based on the Council's preference or an interpretation of what it is felt would be favoured by the public.

Background

In 2015, the EU and 196 nations signed on to the first truly global commitment to address climate change, namely the Paris Agreement. The aim of this was to limit global warming well below 2°C and in pursuit of 1.5°C compared to pre-industrial levels. On the 3rd of December 2020, the UK government unveiled its target to reduce emissions by 68% by 2030, compared to 1990 levels, and net zero by 2050. It released its Net Zero Strategy in October 2021.

At the time of this report around 80% of councils across the UK have declared a climate emergency^{*}, with the majority of these setting target dates to be carbon neutral either for their own operations or across their area as a whole. Numerous other public bodies have also made declarations or are putting plans in place to begin this transition. The ambition of declarations varies significantly and also vary in scope, as public bodies begin to define exactly what they are committing to include, in terms of operations and emissions sources. Of those councils who have declared a climate emergency, approximately three quarters have stated a target, with dates ranging between 2025 and 2050, but the majority are 2030 in line with Thanet District Council.

The progress with planning and implementation is mixed. Some organisations are clearly taking large scale action towards developing new renewables, others have committed significant resource to planning yet many others have a clear target but little detail at this stage on how it will be achieved.

Regardless of current progress, these bodies have a mandate to take positive action to address the issue of climate change and will need to formulate detailed plans and take steps towards meeting these targets imminently. If action isn't taken now, the bodies could face substantial political pressure in the short term, and face not meeting their self-imposed targets in the longer term. In 2019, the environmental law firm ClientEarth threatened 100 councils with legal action if they did not provide adequate evidence of planning to meet for their carbon reduction targets.[†] At the beginning of

^{*} Find a council – Climate Action Plan Explorer (climateemergency.uk)

[†] <u>https://www.energylivenews.com/2019/09/03/environmental-lawyers-threaten-councils-with-legal-action-over-climate-inaction/</u>

2022, action was also taken against the government by both ClientEarth and Friends of the Earth, with lawyers stating that their net zero climate strategy failed to include required policies to meet the emission reductions stated.[‡] Although COP26, was seen to mark an important step in global efforts to address climate change, with key focus areas in the UK being that of strengthening NDCs and phasing out fossil fuel subsidiaries, it is apparent that action in every area and at every level is needed.

TDC's climate emergency declaration made on 11th July 2019 sets out a commitment for the Council's operations and services to be carbon neutral by 2030. LASER's expertise and frameworks means that we are well equipped to assist TDC on their journey to net zero. LASER can not only assist in the carbon footprint and planning stages but are also able to offer compliant procurement routes to support TDC through the implementation of emissions reduction projects and initiatives.

Scoping

The first step towards measuring emissions and creating the carbon footprint for TDC was to carry out the scoping exercise. There are two stages to this process – the first is to review the organisational boundaries and the second is to review the operational boundaries. The below table provides details on why and how each stage is carried out.

Why the stage was carried out

How the stage was carried out

[‡] <u>UK government sued over 'pie-in-the-sky' net-zero climate strategy | Climate crisis | The Guardian</u>

Stage 1 Organisational Boundary Setting	To determine which organisations, entities and assets would be included in the scope To determine boundaries between TDC's own operations, and third party / outsourced operations To help classify emission sources into scopes 1,2,3 or scope 3	Determine what organisation, entities and assets TDC influence or have control over Application of an appropriate consolidation approach for less clear areas
Stage 2 Operational Boundary Setting	To determine which emission sources would be included and excluded in TDC's scope	Emission sources and data availability reviewed Recommended that all scope 1 & 2 emissions were included for own operations, with scope 3 emissions for own operations as optional, and if data was available

Table 3. The stages of scoping

Stage 1: Organisational Boundary Setting

Consolidation Approaches

The GHG Protocol Guidance provides three different consolidation approaches which are detailed below, to help determine what is influenced by an organisation. As highlighted in the above table, this also helps to determine which emissions sources are classified as the Council's scope 1, 2 & 3 emissions, and which emission sources are classified as scope 3 only. Further details of scopes 1, 2 and 3 are provided on page 11.

• Operational Control

• The organisation has the full authority to introduce and implement its operating policies at the organisation, entity or asset.

• Financial Control

 The organisation has the ability to direct the financial and operating policies of the organisation, entity or asset with a view to gaining economic benefits from its activities.

• Equity Share

• The organisation accounts for GHG emissions from the entity according to your share of equity in the organisation, entity or asset.

It was decided by the Council that the operational control consolidation approach would be adopted, as it was felt to best tie in with the Council's setup, operations and objectives. Organisations, entities and assets that were included within the scope for TDC were also based on the premise that if the organisation was not outsourced to a third party, it would be an inhouse service provided by TDC. Based on this methodology the following areas and associated emissions were classified as scope 1, 2 and 3:

- Core estate (council offices, PCs, public areas, carparks, streetlighting, grey fleet employees using own vehicles for company business)
- Waste collection and street cleaning
- Grounds maintenance
- Crematorium
- Ports & harbours

As the below areas fell outside of TDC's chosen consolidation approach, i.e., the buildings are owned by TDC but not operated by them, the associated emissions from these areas were classified as scope 3 only:

• Your Leisure (Ramsgate and Hartsdown leisure centres)

- Civica
- Kent Innovation Centre (TDC own and manage but the majority of offices are leased out).

TDC also have space utilised by EKS for server use, which was also recognised whilst carrying out the organisational boundary setting. However, due to complications with splitting out energy use, it was included under TDCs core estate.

Stage Two: Operational Boundary Setting

This stage involves determining which emission sources would be included for each area, and how they would be classified in relation to scopes 1, 2 and 3 as detailed in the GHG Protocol Guidance. Below, is a definition for each scope:

- Scope 1 Direct GHG (Greenhouse Gas) Emissions, where the emission occurs directly from sources controlled or operated by the Council, for example the gases emitted from a boiler flue as a result of burning natural gas for heating, or emissions from diesel engines in vehicles.
- Scope 2 Indirect GHG Emissions, where the consumption of a utility on site has a direct bearing on the emissions offsite. This predominantly relates to electrical consumption but can also include district heating and cooling.
- Scope 3 Other indirect GHG Emissions, where emissions are a consequence of the activities of the Council such and emissions which also occur from sources not owned or controlled by them,

Scope 3 is a very wide category, as it includes all emissions sources which do not fall under scope 1 and 2, as well as all emissions associated with organisations, entities or assets that fall outside of the chosen consolidation approach.

For areas falling under TDC's chosen consolidation approach, it was determined that, the following emission sources would be included:

- Gas
- Fuel for owned vehicles
- Fuel for stationary combustion (such as standby generators)
- Fugitive
- Electricity
- Grey fleet (employees using their own vehicles for business travel)
- Water
- Waste

For areas which fell outside of the consolidation approach, a similar approach was taken, however it was understood that some of this data may not be as readily available for some of the areas and emission sources.

The scoping diagram is depicted in appendix 1, with appendixes 2 & 3 providing further details about scoping decisions.

Upstream emissions

A further category of two scope 3 emissions were included within the operational scope:

- Transmission and distribution losses: the energy losses that occur from supplying electricity from the power plant to TDCs areas, organisations and leased assets.
- Well-to-tank: emissions that occur from fuel extraction, refining and transportation prior to combustion by TDC or leased assets this includes:
 - Gas
 - Fuels for stationary combustion

• Fuel used in both owned vehicles and grey fleet.

Base Year

TDC chose FY 2019-2020 as the base year which would be used for the Council's carbon footprint, as this represented a consistent period of time, with no major anomalies or variations from normal operations.

Social Housing Emissions

It was determined by the Council that emissions associated with social housing would be reported separately by TDC. These included emissions from electricity and gas use for both tenants and the landlords supply (stair wells, outside lighting), and emissions from the housing repair contract (Mears). These emissions were quantified by LASER and provided to TDC.

Emissions evaluated outside of the project scope

The below emissions were evaluated by LASER but not included within the project scope. It is prudent to note that even though a specific organisation, entity or area may be excluded from TDC's project scope, the Council can still act and look to reduce associated carbon emissions if wished.

- Purchased goods & services this has been carried out as a separate study and reviews procurement spend to help understand associated carbon emissions in the supply chain. At time of report this has not yet been carried out due to data availability.
- Employee commuting at time of report, due to data availability this has not been evaluated.

Data Collection and Footprint

Data Collection

LASER worked with TDC to collect available data for the areas and emission sources detailed in the previous section. Data not readily available was:

- Fugitive emissions for all areas, operations and assets
- Waste data some data was received for Cecil Street offices, crematorium, and waste collection and street cleaning.

LASER worked closely with TDC to try and split out the server usage for EKS, however it was not possible to do so and therefore the total server usage for EKS is included within TDC's core estate area.

Recharges for Ramsgate Marina and the Newport area were also addressed based on recharging invoices and information received from the finance department at TDC.

Appendix 4 contains the carbon footprint data table.

Data Quality

Consumption data was assessed by reviewing the quality of the data received, and its overall significance on the carbon footprint. This allowed LASER to identify any areas of risk and take the appropriate action to address. Data quality was assessed on a sliding scale, with 1 being the best quality (actuals from billings or reports), and 5 being the lowest quality (approximates and estimates). Table 2 demonstrates how data is scored, and table 3 advises of the priority impact and what actions should then be taken.

	Significance				
	<1%	1-5%	6-10%	10-20%	>20%
Quality of Data	1	2	3	4	5
1 (best quality)	1	2	3	4	5
2	2	4	6	8	10
3	3	6	9	12	15
4	4	8	12	16	20
5 (lowest					
quality)	5	10	15	20	25

Table 4 – scoring of data

Priority	Overall Score & Description
1	1 to 5 - no action required
2	6 to 16 - to be reviewed next year
3	17 to 25 - immediate action required

Table 5 – Priority and actions to take

The majority of the data received by LASER fell under impact 1, and there was no data with an impact of 3.

Data Quality Advisories

- <u>KIC electricity consumption</u> priority 2: data was based on an average estimate from previous years consumption. The provision of actual data for the desired period will ensure a true reflection for this site.
- Although both the below sources fell within priority 1, as they did not contribute significantly to the overall footprint, reviewing and implementing sourcing and reporting methods will improve accuracy for these emissions sources:

- <u>TDC own operations waste</u> data based on bin quantity and litre size and volumes of waste were unknown. Therefore, an assumption was made that bins were between 85% to 100% full at time of collection.
- <u>Grounds maintenance fuel use for equipment</u> this was a yearly estimate.
- <u>Newport:</u> proportioning consumption data from the main utilities data received from TDC was quite complex due to the nature of the area. All efforts have been made to ensure that a reasonable approximation has been used for Newport, including adjustments for recharges which have been taken from invoices. It is recommended that, if possible, a specific breakdown is understood for future consumption data – this will enable identification of building and areas which are operated by TDC and which are leased to external organisations.
- <u>EKS:</u> As consumption for this area could not be split and has therefore been included under TDC's Core Estate, it is recommended, if possible, that submetering is installed to identify a true reflection of usage associated with EKS.

Full details of the data quality assessment can be found in appendix 5.

Emissions Factors

Once the data gathering had been completed, LASER utilised emissions factors gathered from various government sources and calculated factors where specific government factors were not available.

LASER have put significant time and resource into the compilation and generation of these figures, for both the footprint and the forecast, to ensure that as accurate a calculation of emissions as possible has been made for TDC.

Carbon Footprint

Total tCO₂e: 4,054

The Council's carbon footprint was calculated and broken down in a variety of ways which allows for insight into the emissions and the significance of the different emissions sources. Chart 1 shows emissions represented as the three scopes detailed in the GHG Protocol Guidance. Scope 3 emissions make up approximately 43% of the carbon footprint, followed by scope 1 emissions at 40% and scope 2 emissions at 17%. It can be seen in Chart 2 that emissions associated with third party contractors and TDC's own transport make up the largest proportions of the carbon footprint, accounting mainly for the large scope 2 and 3 proportions seen in Chart 1.



Chart 1 – TDC emissions by scope

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Chart 2 - TDC emissions by sector

The below chart further demonstrates the contribution of emissions from TDC's owned vehicles and the outsourced leisure contract and breaks down the footprint further.



Charts 3 – TDC emissions by source

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In Chart 4, a breakdown of the different areas within the Council is shown and it is recognised that emissions for waste collection and street cleaning account for just over nearly a third of all emissions within the carbon footprint. A further breakdown of this specific area is shown in Chart 5, where it can be seen that 94% of these emissions are attributable to fuel use for owned vehicles.



Chart 4 – TDC emissions by area



Chart 5 – TDC emissions: Waste Collection & Street Cleaning

In Appendix 6, emission breakdown charts can be found for the other areas within TDC, as well as the two leisure centres operated by Your Leisure.

Own Vehicle Fuel Data

Extensive work was carried out by LASER to quantify emissions associated with fuel use for TDC's owned vehicles. This work was used to help understand the following:

- Carbon emissions for each area (e.g., Core Estate, Waste & Street Cleaning)
- Vehicle category and tonnage
- Electricity required for EVs
- Approximate uplift costs for EVs (if available)

The below chart demonstrates that nearly half of the carbon emissions, approximately 750 tCO₂e, are associated with fuel use for the waste carriers.

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Chart 6 – TDC own vehicles

Key Findings

- The majority of emissions are scope 1 and 3, making up 83% of the total carbon footprint.
- Of the scope 3 emissions, the chief contributor is Your Leisure, specifically emissions associated with gas consumption.
- The vast majority of transport emissions shown are associated with TDC's owned vehicles, mainly from waste collection and street cleaning vehicles
- Emissions from waste collection and street cleaning and the leisure centres make up just over two thirds of total emissions.
- Other emissions from TDC owned and operated areas (crematorium, port and harbour, core estate and grounds maintenance) contribute to 33% of footprint, with Civica and the Kent Innovation making up the final 3%.

Business As Usual Forecast

LASER used the carbon footprint data and the emissions factors touched on above, to generate a forecast of TDC's emissions to 2050. This is designed to act as a representation of emissions levels if TDC took no action to reduce them.

The chart below shows that total emissions at the baseline equate to $4,054 \text{ tCO}_2\text{e}$. The foremost emission sources below are gas (blue), electricity (light green), and fuel use for owned vehicles (dark green). Each source includes emissions from all of TDC areas, as well as outsourced contracts and leased assets. Further detail and breakdown of the forecast data can be seen in Appendix 7.



Chart 7 – TDC emissions to 2050 under a "BAU" Scenario

It can be seen that emissions reduce at a noticeable rate during the initial few years of the forecast. This is primarily due to a reduction in emissions associated with electricity consumption, as renewable generation is forecast to make up a larger proportion of the grid supply. As biofuel content continues to increase in the short term, the forecast also shows a slight reduction in emissions associated with fuel consumption. It can be

seen that emissions associated with gas remain largely static throughout and make up an increasing proportion of the total.

In the medium and longer term, emissions associated with this level of use would reduce to:

- 3,164 tCO₂e in 2030
- 2,884 tCO₂e in 2050

These figures are based on government forecasts so, while they are long term forecasts and liable to change, they are as realistic estimates as possible at this point in time.

Carbon Budget & Pathway

As part of an ongoing project for TDC, LASER were commissioned to provide a sciencebased carbon budget in line with the Paris Agreement. Aligning efforts with international agreements and recognised scientific research will give TDC's planning and actions more credibility both socially and politically.

The report was produced separately at the end of 2021, however since this time amendments have been made to the original baseline used to generate the budgets and pathway. These amendments are in relation to electricity recharges associated with the Marina Harbour and Newport area and exclusion of the landlord's electricity supply for social housing.

To allow TDC to understand how their net zero pathway is aligning with the Paris Agreement, this pathway has been included within the carbon reduction modelling and has been revised accordingly to take into account the above mentioned adjustments. Further analysis will be provided under the section 'Zero Carbon Modelling, Outputs & Strategy'.

Options Appraisal

Having established the Council's current position and quantified the scale of the task and reductions required, the next step was to devise a strategy which supported TDC's journey to net zero. In order to update and gain input from TDC Directors and Senior Officers, an options appraisal workshop was run. The aim of this was to ensure that LASER had a good understanding of which issues, subjects and concerns were of importance to the Council, and which were of less importance.

Particular areas of focus were electrification of TDC's owned vehicles, including the possible charging infrastructure required at Manston Road, and heat decarbonisation for TDC's own estate as well as the leisure centres operated by Your Leisure.

Zero Carbon Electricity Supply Options

There are various zero or low carbon green electricity products available and emerging onto the market. Selecting the products and a procurement strategy which provides the best fit for the Council's situation and objectives is an important challenge. LASER offer three different products; Green Tariff, Green Basket and Public Energy Power Purchase Agreement (PEPPPA). Each product varies with the key features, considerations and advantages offered.

More details can be found in Appendix 8.

Zero Carbon Modelling, Outputs & Strategy

Following on from the creation of the business as usual emissions forecast, taking into account the feedback from the options appraisal workshop and from the strategy already formulated by TDC, LASER worked with TDC to identify a number of Carbon

Reduction Options and assumptions that the Council would like to assess in order to produce a carbon reduction model.

The Carbon Reduction Options were based around:

- Increasing energy and water use efficiency in estates
- Decarbonising the KIC and one of the two leisure centres
- Electrification of the car derived vehicles and the waste carrier vehicles
- Electrification of equipment
- Reduction in business travel mileage
- 100% green electricity

In order to understand the impact of the Carbon Reduction Options and associated assumptions, the BAU forecast has been used as a baseline, and the impact of each assumption for various Carbon Reduction Options have been built in to assess the net impact on emissions within the scenario.

Due to the emissions associated with TDC's owned vehicles and outsourced contracts having such a large impact on the Council's footprint, the Carbon Reduction Options and assumptions have been split into three tables:

- Table 8. Carbon Reduction Options for TDC owned vehicles (including grey fleet)
- Table 9. Carbon Reduction Options for outsourced contracts and leased buildings (Your Leisure & KIC)
- Table 10. Carbon Reduction Options for TDC estates (offices, depots, crematorium, port and harbour) and core activities (excluding transport)

Table 8. Carbon Reduction Options: TDC Owned Vehicles (including grey fleet)

The below table includes emissions from TDC fleet and emissions from staff using their own vehicles for business travel. It assumes that:

• By 2030 all cars and car derived vans will have shifted to an electric alternative.

- By 2028 TDC will have purchased electric waste carrier vehicles. It is understood that this is a very complex action and will require external funding and redesign of the Manston Road depot.
- Those who travel for business will reduce their mileage by 25% by 2025, and that 5% of those who do use their personal vehicle will switch to electric vehicles by 2030. This could be underestimated.

	Core Estate	Waste & Street Cleaning	Grounds Maintenance	Crematorium	Port & Harbour
EV Shift Owned Vehicles	100% Small & car derived vans By 2030	100% Small & car derived vans By 2030 100% 26 T Waste Carrier 2028 - 2028	100% Small & car derived vans By 2030	100% Small & car derived vans By 2030	100% Small & car derived vans 2023 - 2030
Mileage Reduction Grey Fleet	25% By 2025	-	-	-	-
EV Shift Grey Fleet	5% By 2030	-	-	-	-

Further details can be found in the Owned Vehicles section on page 43.

Table 9. Carbon Reduction Options: TDC Outsourced Contracts & Leased Buildings

Table 9 describes the assumptions within the Kent Innovation Centre and in the two leisure centres that are run by Your Leisure. It assumes that:

- the KIC will have full LED lighting by 2024 and heat pumps by 2030.
- energy efficiency (electricity and gas) will improve by 5% and water efficiency will improve by 10% by 2025.
- the leisure centres will have 100% LED lighting by 2030 and that one of the two will have its heating supply decarbonised by the installation of heat pumps.
- energy efficiency (electric and gas) and water use efficiency will increase by 25% by 2025 in both of the leisure centres.

	Kent Innovation Centre	Leisure Centres
Estate Rationalisation	-	-
LED Installation	100%	100%
	2022 - 2024	2022-2030
Heat Pump Installation	100%	50%
	2023 - 2030	2023 -2030
Energy Efficiencies (electricity	5%	25%
and gas)	By 2025	By 2025
(kwn reduction)		
Water Efficiencies	10%	25%
(cbm reduction)	2023 - 2025	2022 - 2025
Green Energy	В	В
Buildings (B)	By 2030	By 2030

Table 10. Carbon Reduction Options: TDC own estate and operations (non-transport)

The below table includes the following assumptions:

- Estates rationalisation: less office space will be needed going forward, therefore from 2023 it is projected that the consumption associated with Cecil Street Office will reduce by 50%.
- There will be 100% LED lighting across the offices, depots, crematorium and port and harbour by 2030.
- Equipment in the Open Spaces team will be electric by 2030.
- Energy efficiency (electricity and gas) will mean a reduction of 25% in the offices and 10% in depots, crematorium and port and harbour by 2025 by behaviour change, with installation of motion sensors for lighting.
- Water use efficiency will increase by 10% in the offices and 20% in depots, crematorium and port and harbour by 2025.
- Electricity will be sourced from renewable sources by 2030 e.g., PEPPPA

Based on information provided by TDC, it is assumed that in 2036 gas usage for the crematorium will be replaced with electricity. At present, as the consumption of an electric crematorium is unknown, the electricity required for operation has been based on the gas usage.

The modelling includes a solar pv array of 25kWp (not included within the assumption tables).

High-level details were provided to TDC in relation to a potential solar park, however, this has not been included within the Carbon reduction model seen below as it has not yet been determined if this option would be viable.

	Core Estate	Waste & Street Cleaning	Grounds Maintenance	Crematorium	Port & Harbour
Estate Rationalisation	Office Space to be reduced by 50% 2023 – 2025	-	-	-	-
LED Installation	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	2022 - 2030	2022 - 2030	2022 - 2030	2022-2030	2022-2030
Heat Pump Installation	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment Switch	-	-	100% 2025 - 2030	100% 2036	-
Energy Efficiencies (electricity and	25%	10%	10%	10%	10%
gas)	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025
kWh reduction					
Water	10%	20%	20%	20%	20%
Efficiencies (cbm reduction)	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025	2023 - 2025
Green Energy	B & V	B & V	B & V	B & V	B & V
Buildings (B) Vehicles (V)	By 2030	By 2030	By 2030	By 2030	By 2030

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Carbon Reduction Model

The carbon reduction model generated for TDC includes four charts. The first chart details how carbon emissions will reduce with the application of TDC's chosen Carbon Reduction Options and assumptions, whilst the other three charts review the associated costs.

The below unit costs have been used in the model for the financial profile:

- Electricity for buildings and EVs: 20p/kWh
- Gas: 7p/kWh
- Diesel: £1.80/litre
- Water supply: £1.00/cbm / Water treatment £1.10 cbm

Chart 8 below shows the total carbon emissions from 2019 to 2050 for each area as stacked columns made up from data in chart 4, page 22. Each part of the stacked column is made up of the emissions associated within that specific area.

Starting from the top of the bar and working down, the core estates bar is light blue and includes emissions from the offices. The waste collection and street cleansing bar (dark blue) is the largest bar because it includes the emissions from most of the fleet including the waste carrier vehicles.

The ground maintenance bar is small (dark brown), and the port and harbours bar (yellow) is larger as there are high levels of electricity used here. The crematorium emissions are shown as the grey bar (slightly smaller than port and harbour), and the emissions from the KIC are shown in the small purple bar. The second largest bar at the bottom shows emissions from both leisure centres (Hartsdown and Ramsgate).

The pink columns below the x-axis show the amount of carbon offsetting required by the Council.

The business as usual line in red demonstrates how TDC's emissions would look if no actions were taken by the Council and if consumption was to remain the same. The net emission line in green shows the impact of the Carbon Reduction Options that were

detailed in tables 8, 9 and 10. Based on TDC's carbon footprint for 2019, the blue line demonstrates the Paris Agreement pathway.

In order to meet the Paris Agreement, the Council will need to address the following:

- Emissions from the waste carrier vehicles are address
- Decarbonisation of the estates.

(It is likely that the Council will need to source external funding for these large projects).

In order to reduce emissions fully, it is recommended that heat pumps be installed at the Hartsdown Leisure Centre. However, it understood by LASER that there is a question of longevity of the current building, and a percentage of the building may not be suitable for heat pumps. Based on this, the installation of heat pumps at Hartsdown has therefore has not been included within the modelling.

If a future study shows that Hartsdown leisure centre is suitable for heat pumps, it will reduce the carbon footprint by approximately 387 tCO₂e and the installation of heat pumps would be estimated at a cost of £1.2m (based on previous TDC project).

It can be seen that carbon offsetting reduces in 2036 and this is in relation to the electrification of the crematorium.

The model does not address the emissions from the medium and large vehicles as currently there are no electric alternatives available on the market, so these emissions will need to be offset at 2030 to reach net zero.



Chart 8 – TDC emissions forecast with carbon reduction options

The financial chart overleaf takes into consideration the overall cashflow position for both the capital investment and annual costs and savings. Carbon Reduction Options generating a savings are shown above the x-axis and those generating an additional cost are shown below the x-axis, with the net position represented by the dark green line.

Key Points	2030	2050
Cumulative Investment (£m)	-9.640	-29.109
Cumulative Net Financial Benefit (£m)	4.070	20.811
Net Position (£m)	-5.570	-8.298


Chart 9 - TDC cashflow for capital investment and annual costs / savings

As shown in the key points table above, in order to reach net zero by 2030 the cumulative cost to the Council is £9.640m. By 2050 cumulative costs, including offsetting costs, will have risen to £29.109m. The increase in cost is mainly due to the purchase of new electric waste carrier vehicles every 7 years.

Investment is required for:

- Solar PV
- LED
- Heat pump installation EV waste carrier vehicle
- Car derived vehicles
- Cost of offsetting

Savings are associated with:

- Energy efficiency measures
- Estate rationalisation
- Roof top solar (export of energy to the grid)
- LED installation

Therefore, the net position by 2030 is -£5.570m and -£8.298m by 2050.

Chart 10 demonstrates the cumulative capital investment required only. It should be noted that the chart does not include investment for electrification of the crematorium.



Chart 10 – TDC capital investment

Capital investment needed as per the bullet points above.

Below are approximate capital costs received from TDC for the full decarbonisation of

- Kent Innovation Centre: £1.35m (heat pump installation cost approximately 700k, including new radiators)
- Ramsgate Leisure Centre: £1.2m (based on the Stour Leisure Centre project, with heat pump installation costs of approximately this value)

Chart 11 demonstrates the cumulative annual costs and savings associated with each Carbon Reduction Option but does not include capital investment. The green line shows the overall net position for all Carbon Reduction Options for each year.

Overall savings are recognised by the Council for:

- EV shift for both the car and car derived vans and the waste carriers the cost to run these EVs is less than a diesel vehicle.
- Heat pumps the cost to operate with electricity is less than a conventional gas boiler.



Chart 11 – TDC annual costs and savings

Table 10 provides a breakdown of the cumulative capital investment and cumulative annual costs / savings associated with each Carbon Reduction Option. It details these figures for two specific milestone years - 2030 and 2050. The net position figure at the bottom of the table takes into account both the capital investment and annual savings / costs, and corresponds with the green net position line shown in Chart 9 for these specific years.

There is scope to recognise greater savings for all the Carbon Reduction Options (except carbon offsetting and green energy), if implementation is carried out before the start dates detailed in tables 7, 8 and 9.

	2030 2050			50
	Capital Investment £m	Annual Costs / Savings £m	Capital Investment £m	Annual Costs / Savings £m
	(Cumulative)	(Cumulative)	(Cumulative)	(Cumulative)
Efficiency Measures (Elec &	-0.370	1.225	-0.370	4.650
Water)				
Solar PV	-0.023	0.032	-0.023	0.122
Estate Rationalisation	-	0.593	-	2.286
EV – Cars & Car Derived	-2.002	0.486	-6.797	2.708
Vans				
EV – Waste Carriers	-4.090	0.796	-14.893	6.099
Heat Pumps	-1.9	0.108	-1.9	0.670
LED	-1.117	0.830	-1.117	4.275
Carbon Offsetting	-	-0.109	-	-3.798
Green Electricity		-0.029	-	-0.211
Total	-9.501	3.932	-25.100	16.802
Net Position	-5.5	570	-8.2	298

Table 10 – Costs for 2030 and 2050

Owned Vehicles

Due to the nature of the vehicle types found within the medium and large categories, these vehicles have not been included at present within the EV shift. The Mercedes hooklift which falls under the small category classification has also been excluded.

The table below shows the amount of vehicles owned and the uplift cost for the different types of vehicles. The financial uplift for cars and car derived vans has been based on an average cost which takes into consideration small, medium and large electric vans (up to 3.5t) currently available on the UK market. TDC also own four 4x4 trucks and this uplift is a substantial increase. Based on information and an Energy Saving Trust Fleet Review report (carried for Manchester City Council) provided by TDC, an uplift cost of £225,000 has been used for the 26t waste carriers.

	Tonnage	Amount	EV Uplift
		of	£
		Vehicles	
Cars & Car Derived Vans (Small)	Up to 3.5	65	£22,177
Cars & Car Derived Vans – 4x4s (Small)	Up to 3.5	4	£52,658
Mercedes Hook lift (Small)	Up to 3.5	1	EV not available
Medium	>3.5 up to 7.5	18	EVs not available
Large	>7.5 up to 18	10	EVs not available
Waste Carriers	26	16	£225,000

Table 11 – Owned vehicles and uplift costs

Cars and Car Derived Vans

The total additional cost of changing the 69 cars and car derived vans to electric alternatives over the next 7 years is estimated to be £0.536m.

It takes into consideration the capital investment, as well as the cost of infrastructure which has been estimated at approximately 6% of the total EV cost (as per details

received from TDC finance department). Loan interest is 2.5% (also received from TDC finance department).

A full annual usage of 204,322 kWh as from 2029 has been used, as this reflects a 100% fleet shift to EVS. (This kWh annual usage is based on the diesel consumption, and an average kWh/mile, which takes into consideration battery size and mile range for small, medium and large vans currently available on the market).

EV maintenance and repair costs are based on details from Link Group and a previous case study held by LASER. The EV maintenance and repair costs are on average 43% of diesel vehicles maintenance and repair costs.

	Cost Type	Diesel	Electric	Additional
				Costs /
				Savings
Vehicle (£m)	Capital	-1.481	-3.051	-1.570
Infrastructure (6% of vehicle cost)	Capital	0	-0.183	-0.183
Loan Interest (2.5%)	Capital	-0.033	-0.073	-0.039
Vehicle Exercise Duty (VED) £m	Operational	-0.145	0	0.145
Fuel / Energy £m	Operational	-0.972	-0.357	0.615
Maintenance & Repairs £m	Operational	-0.869	-0.374	0.496
Total over 7 years £m	Capital &	-3.500	-4.038	-0.538
	Operational			

Table 12 – Cost breakdown for car derived vans over a 7 year period

It can be seen that EVs allow savings in three areas: VED, fuel, and maintenance and repairs. The fuel / energy cost comparison recognises the largest savings, equating to £0.615m over the 7 year period. The additional cost each year of switching to EVs is £0.076m, meaning that in this case, the Council does not see a break even position.

Waste Carrier Vehicles

Based on 16 vehicles, the below table shows costs over 7 years and assumes all vehicles are replaced in the first year when the contract is up for renewal in 2028.

The following assumptions have been based on the Energy Saving Trust 'Fleet Review' report carried out for Manchester City Council:

- Annual electricity usage for fleet: 895,226 kWh
- AdBlue: £0.36 per litre
- Maintenance and repair costs: 34% compared to ICEs

For each waste carrier, the end-of-life electric battery resale has been assumed to be £5,000 and is based on a figure obtained from a report by Eunomia[§]. The Energy Saving Trust 'Fleet Review' report carried out for Manchester City Council detailed a figure of £36,000 for each battery, however it was determined that the lower value would be used for TDC's modelling.

There have been no savings included for the resale of diesel waste carriers as it was advised that this was minimal, and in some instances could actually be an oncost to TDC.

	Cost Type	Diesel	Electric	Additional Costs / Savings
Vehicle (£m)	Capital	-2.440	-6.04	-3.600
Infrastructure (approx. 6% of vehicle cost)	Capital	0	-0.400	-0.400
Loan Interest (2.5%)	Capital	-0.054	-0.144	-0.090
Electric Battery Resale	Capital	0	0.080	0.080
Vehicle Exercise Duty (VED) £m	Operational	-0.034	0	0.034
Road User Levy (RUL) £m	Operational	-0.035	0	0.035

[§] Ditching Diesel - A Cost-Benefit Analysis of Electric RCVs (eunomia.co.uk)

Fuel / Energy £m	Operational	-2.93	-1.253	1.677
Ad Blue (5l for every 100l)	Operational	-0.029	0	0.029
Maintenance & Repairs £m	Operational	-0.735	-0.560	0.175
Total over 7 years £m	Capital &	-6.257	-8.317	-2.06
	Operational			

Table 13 – Cost breakdown for vehicles over 7 years for 2030 and 2050

There are six areas where savings are made when replacing with EV waste carriers. The most significant savings are seen in the fuel / energy comparison, where the financial benefit is £1.677m over the 7 year period. However, due to the large investment required for the vehicles themselves, approximately £3.6m, there is still an additional oncost of £2.22m to the Council overall.

NB: The replacement of infrastructure for both cars and car derived vans and waste carriers has assumed to be every 21 years based on a report from Eunomia.

Medium and Large Vehicles (and x1 Hooklift)

These have not been addressed in the carbon reduction model as electric alternatives are not currently available. An interim option could be to use biodiesel instead of conventional diesel until the market offers electric options for these types of vehicles. At time of report, biodiesel is approximately 15% more expensive than conventional diesel. Although there are specific bodies and schemes (such as the ISCC) which ensure production is sustainable, there are concerns by some around the sustainability of this option, and that it may put pressure on land which could be used for food.

The below table indicates a yearly additional cost, and cumulative costs by 2030 and 2050 if moving these vehicles to HVO by 2023.

Additional	Cumulative	Cumulative
Yearly	Cost	Cost
Cost	2030	2050
£m	£m	£m
-0.043	-0.354	-1.204

Table 14 – Additional costs for HVO

In the longer-term future, another area of exploration that could be considered by TDC is hydrogen.

Carbon Offsetting

The carbon offsetting costs (\pounds/tCO_2e) used in this analysis are based on government forecast figures from their central forecast and by 2030 are $\pounds0.109m$ and $\pounds3.978m$ by 2050.

There is a reliance on carbon offsetting to achieve TDC's net zero target in the carbon reduction model presented. This is a drawback from an environmental perspective as conventionally only emissions that can't be abated by other means should be offset. The Council have begun to explore the possibility of using owned land for sequestration, which could help to reduce the reliance of purchasing carbon offsets from the market in the longer-term future. This would also reduce the amount of risk the Council is exposed to from the market. Carbon offsetting can also be seen by some as 'greenwashing', so needs careful management to ensure emissions saving are real.

Although these are the best possible representation at this time, carbon offsetting is an evolving market and as such, more difficult to predict. Therefore, there is a risk that the cost of carbon offsetting could be substantially higher by 2030, especially as demand is likely to drastically increase at that point and over the intervening period.

The below two charts demonstrate the yearly and cumulative offsetting costs up to 2050 for the three offsetting forecasts available from the government: low, central and









Chart 13 - Cumulative offsetting costs

Conclusion

In order to align with the Paris Agreement pathway, it is evident that substantial early action will need to be taken to reduce emissions.

With a significant proportion of TDC's emissions associated with fuel use for owned vehicles and gas consumption for heating, in particular the leisure centres, these are two major areas of focus, which have been recognised by TDC - and as such require substantial action by TDC in order to reach their net zero target. Currently, the market does not offer alternative EVs for all of TDC's owned vehicles so an alternative strategy for the short to medium term future will be required to abate these emissions.

The assumptions included for estate rationalisation have a significant impact on the reduction of carbon emissions. Further understanding and confirmation of the direction TDC wish to take with their own estate will help to firm up these assumptions and allow the Council to fully understand what Carbon Reduction Options can be implemented to mitigate any emissions that reside. It will also provide certainty around the development of a green energy purchasing strategy.

Many of these actions are financially prohibited and TDC will need to look to source funding and assistance.

Evolution of Strategy and Model

At this stage the modelling gives a view of potential possibilities and can be a useful tool in monitoring progress as well as for planning and decision making.

It is likely that opportunities for further emissions reductions will come to light in the medium term that are not included in the model. This may be through new technologies, reductions in costs of current technologies or government policies.

Key Points

- TDC can achieve net zero carbon by their target date however, some carbon offsetting will be required, as well as substantial external funding.
- Substantial early action is needed to align with Paris Agreement pathway.
- The majority of TDC's carbon footprint is attributable to fuel use for owned vehicles, mainly the waste carrier vehicles and the outsourced contract associated with the leisure centres.
- Clear long-term policy on estate will help with planning of energy efficiency measures and procurement of green electricity.
- Reliance on carbon offsetting to achieve targets comes with significant risks and importantly no financial returns on any investment.
- The offsetting market is expected to change and develop hugely over the next decade.
- Modelling is designed to help inform decision making and is based on current factors and state of the market technologies. Technologies and economics may change significantly over time and government funding and policy will also influence these issues. Regular review of the model as the technology landscape changes, particularly in relation to transport, will place TDC in the best position to meet their net zero targets.

Next Steps

1. Electrification of Owned Vehicles

As mentioned, alternative EVs are not currently available for all of TDCs owned vehicles. It is recommended that where alternatives are available feasibility studies are undertaken to review all aspects associated with the introduction of EVs.

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2. Determine estate future

Establishing a firm and clear direction for the estate is vital and will help TDC with plans to reduce emissions.

3. Estate Decarbonisation Plan

Heat pumps should be explored as a viable alternative to conventional gas heating for estates that are to be kept, as well as other Carbon Reduction Options such as LED and energy efficiencies.

4. Address less significant emissions sources

The Council can pursue established initiatives in other areas such as reducing water use and switching equipment to electric alternatives.

5. Procure green energy for estate

Although influenced by steps 1, 2 & 3, TDC can establish a proposed procurement strategy for electricity and implement this once a clear direction is obtained.

6. Investigate Offsetting Options

For remaining emissions, it is recommended that options for offsetting are explored by the Council.

7. Update carbon footprint

Data for 2020-21 can be built into the model to demonstrate the changes to the carbon footprint to date and pertinently, the impact of COVID-19 on the Council's emissions.

LASER Background

LASER Energy Buying Group was formed in 1989 by Kent County Council (KCC) with the aim of assisting Local Authorities and other public bodies to benefit from lower energy prices through deregulated gas and electricity markets and to offer management services that focus on reducing energy spend, saving time and hassle for our customers.

LASER has grown to become one of the leading energy procurement and energy management service providers in the UK. Today our mission is to deliver unique end-to-end solutions to our customers helping reduce energy costs, manage market risk and provide compliance in an increasingly volatile market.

LASER's success and reputation has helped it to grow organically to its current position serving 200 public sector customers and buying in excess of £500m of energy per annum. We work with a large number of public sector bodies including NHS Trusts, Universities & colleges, Local Authorities and Housing Associations.

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Andy Morgan Assistant Director Carbon & Energy Management	Andy has over 25 years' experience in energy efficiency and procurement since graduating as an Energy Engineer. He has previously worked for Matthew Hall, procuring energy and operating EPCs for large clients, and the City of London Corporation, taking responsibility for saving and procuring energy for the city portfolio. Now Andy manages LASER's Bureau Services, LED Lighting Services and other energy management and water services. As a CMVP, Andy is expert in handling and analysing data and also specialises in energy efficiency, renewable energy, energy supply markets, energy industry infrastructure and Government energy policy and schemes.

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Appendix 1 – Scoping Chart



Appendix 2 – Scoping Table



Appendix 3 – Scope Details

Area / Organisation	Details	Inc in Scope
Core Estate	Made up of council offices, PCs, public areas, carparks, streetlighting.	Y
	TDC to provide consumption data for electricity, gas, water, waste, owned vehicles, stationary combustion, fugitive emissions	
	Inhouse.	Y
Grounds Maintenance	TDC to provide consumption data for electricity, gas, water, waste, owned vehicles, stationary combustion, fugitive emissions	
	Inhouse.	Y
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	TDC to provide consumption data for electricity, gas, water, waste, owned vehicles, stationary combustion, fugitive emissions	
	Inhouse.	Y
Crematorium	TDC to provide consumption data for electricity, gas, water, waste, owned vehicles, stationary combustion, fugitive emissions	
Port & Harbour	TDC pay invoices for one of the buildings and recharges to the tenants (Newport)	Y
	TDC to provide data and additional information so that the associated recharges can be accounted for appropriately.	

	TDC to provide consumption data for electricity, gas, water, waste, owned vehicles, stationary combustion, fugitive emissions	
TDC Business Travel	Covers the use of public transport for employee business travel, as well as grey fleet (employees utilising own vehicles for business travel), in relation to TDC's own estate, (grounds maintenance, waste collection and street cleaning, crematorium, port and harbour). TDC to provide expenses data for TDC's grey fleet. (breakdown of fuel type, vehicle type, engine size if available). If TDC wish to include emissions associated with public transport, LASER would require this data in passenger/km format.	Y
Leisure Centres	Centres are TDC assets and leased to Your Leisure who operate and pay invoices associated with operations. Your Leisure to provide consumption data for electricity, gas, water, waste, stationary combustion, fugitive emissions	Y
Social Housing / EKH Communal & Landlord Supply	Housing stock is owned by TDC who are responsible for paying communal / landlord supply and improving building fabric and heating systems. Tenants pay their own energy bills - please see further details and proposed handling for tenants under 'Social Housing – Tenants'. Day to day running was brought back inhouse in October 2020. TDC to provide consumption data for electricity, gas	Υ

Mears Housing Repairs	Outsourced contract (could potentially come back inhouse). Confirmation required if TDC own any buildings used to serve this contract, or if Mears utilise their own sites specifically to serve this contract. Excluded from scope as contract is associated with Social Housing maintenance.	Ν
Civica Revenue & Benefits Service	Strategic partnership with Civica, shared with Canterbury and Dover. Civica utilise space at Thanet council offices as well as at other authorities. It is understood that each authority accounts for energy use within their own estate and LASER propose the same handling of Civica for TDC.	Y
EKS	Shared service. HR coming back inhouse as of Sept 21. IT under review & Payroll to be left with EKS. Service uses separate building at Canterbury for IT which includes servers. Dover house some servers (c20%) / TDC house servers (c80%). LASER propose to include energy use associated with Thanet buildings and address the server imbalance between TDC and DDC. Please can TDC confirm they are happy with this approach. Alternatively, TDC could include all energy used on site, although this would be an over estimation. LASER would require further information / sub meter data for Thanet Servers if wishing to address the imbalance.	Y

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Area	Details & Data Required	Inc in Scope
Homeworking	Energy use associated with homeworking. TDC to provide data	Ν
Social Housing - Tenants	Energy use for gas and electricity. The preference would be for this data to be in kWh. TDC to provide data	Ν
Goods and Services	LASER will carry out an assessment of emissions associated with procurement spend with top 15 suppliers without additional charge. This will enable TDC to assess significance of emissions and analyse emission intensity. TDC to provide spend details of top 15 suppliers for FY 19-20.	Ν

Appendix 4 – Carbon Footprint Data

								2019	2,019
Operation	Sector	Scope	Emissions Category	Individual Emissions Source	Fuel Type & Units	Units	2019-2020	Emissions Factor	tCO ₂ e
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 1	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	531,602.00	0.184	97.74
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Gas	Gas WTT	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	531,602.00	0.024	12.71
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Small, Cars & Car Derived Vans	Diesel/Litres	litres	19,328.80	2.594	50.14
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Medium	Diesel/Litres	litres	0.00	2.594	0.00
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - WTT	Diesel/Litres	litres	19,328.80	0.617	11.93
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity Building Use	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	1,089,288.10	0.256	278.42
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity Street Lighting UMS	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	125,460.00	0.256	32.07
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity UMS	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	62,664.00	0.256	16.02
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Electricity	All Electricity T&D	Electricity T&D	kWh	1,277,412.10	0.022	27.72
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Grey Fleet	Grey Fleet Passenger / Delivery Non EV Petrol	Diesel Small	miles	15,327.00	0.229	3.50
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Grey Fleet	Grey Fleet Passenger / Delivery Non EV Petrol	Diesel Medium	miles	15,369.00	0.275	4.22
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Grey Fleet	Grey Fleet Passenger / Delivery Non EV Petrol	Diesel Large	miles	5,797.00	0.337	1.95
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Grey Fleet	Grey Fleet Passenger / Delivery Non EV Petrol	Petrol Small	miles	38,915.00	0.247	9.63
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Grey Fleet	Grey Fleet Passenger / Delivery Non EV Petrol	Petrol Medium	miles	17,872.00	0.309	5.53
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Grey Fleet	Grey Fleet Passenger / Delivery Non EV Petrol	Petrol Large	miles	72.00	0.455	0.03
Core Estate	Transport	Scope 3	Grey Fleet	Grey Fleet Passenger - WTT	Combined	tonnes	6.62717688	1.000	6.63
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Waste	Waste	Mixed waste	tCO2e	0.013899609	1.000	0.01
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	36,416.00	0.344	12.53
Core Estate	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	22,617.96	0.708	16.01
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Buildings & Estate	Scope 1	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	187316	0.184	34.44
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Gas	Gas - WTT	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	187316	0.024	4.48
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Small, Cars & Car Derived Vans	Diesel/Litres	litres	40,783.29	2.594	105.80
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Medium	Diesel/Litres	litres	65,266.60	2.594	169.31
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Large	Diesel/Litres	litres	89,775.80	2.594	232.89
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Waste Carriers	Diesel/Litres	litres	232,419.34	2.594	602.92
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Transport	Scope 3	Owned Vehicles	All Diesel - WTT	Diesel/Litres	litres	428245.03	0.617	264.27
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	164,343.00	0.256	42.01
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	164,343.00	0.022	3.57
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Waste	Waste	Mixed waste	tCO2e	0.00200	1.000	0.0019985
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	1,921.00	0.344	0.66
Waste Collection & Street Cleaning	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	1,824.95	0.708	1.29

								2019	2,019
Operation	Sector	Scope	Emissions Category	Individual Emissions Source	Fuel Type & Units	Units	2019-2020	Emissions Factor	tCO ₂ e
Grounds Maintenance	Operations	Scope 1	Fuel for Operations	Diesel	Diesel/Litres	litres	12,000.00	2.594	31.13
Grounds Maintenance	Operations	Scope 3	Fuel for Operations	Diesel - WTT	Diesel/Litres	litres	12,000.00	0.617	7.41
Grounds Maintenance	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Small, Cars & Car Derived Vans	Diesel/Litres	litres	15,678.55	2.594	40.67
Grounds Maintenance	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Medium	Diesel/Litres	litres	0.00	2.594	0.00
Grounds Maintenance	Transport	Scope 3	Owned Vehicles	All Diesel - WTT	Diesel/Litres	litres	15,678.55	0.617	9.68
Grounds Maintenance	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	65,786.00	0.256	16.81
Grounds Maintenance	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity - T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	65,786.00	0.022	1.43
Grounds Maintenance	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Waste	Waste	Mixed waste	tCO2e	0.00	1.000	0.00
Grounds Maintenance	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	1,366.00	0.344	0.47
Grounds Maintenance	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	479.85	0.708	0.34
Crematorium	Buildings & Estate	Scope 1	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	895480	0.184	164.63
Crematorium	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Gas	Gas - WTT	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	895480	0.024	21.41
Crematorium	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Small, Cars & Car Derived Vans	Diesel/Litres	litres	155.26	2.594	0.40
Crematorium	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Medium	Diesel/Litres	litres	9540.43	2.594	24.75
Crematorium	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	All Diesel - WTT	Diesel/Litres	litres	9695.69	0.617	5.98
Crematorium	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	94,593.00	0.256	24.18
Crematorium	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	94,593.00	0.022	2.05
Crematorium	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Waste	Waste	Mixed waste	tCO2e	0.0125	1.000	0.01
Crematorium	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	1,349.00	0.344	0.46
Crematorium	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	1,079.20	0.708	0.76
Civica	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	26,220.00	0.184	4.82
Civica	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Gas	Gas - WTT	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	26,220.00	0.024	0.63
Civica	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	26,881.67	0.256	6.87
Civica	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity - T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	26,881.67	0.022	0.58
Civica	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	341.00	0.344	0.12
Civica	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	323.50	0.708	0.23

								2019	2,019
Operation	Sector	Scope	Emissions Category	Individual Emissions Source	Fuel Type & Units	Units	2019-2020	Emissions Factor	tCO ₂ e
Port & Harbour	Buildings & Estate	Scope 1	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	269,585.00	0.184	49.56
Port & Harbour	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	269,585.00	0.024	6.45
Port & Harbour	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Small, Cars & Car Derived Vans	Diesel/Litres	litres	1,185.40	2.594	3.08
Port & Harbour	Transport	Scope 1	Owned Vehicles	Diesel - Medium	Diesel/Litres	litres	0.00	2.594	0.00
Port & Harbour	Transport	Scope 3	Owned Vehicles	All Diesel - WTT	Diesel/Litres	litres	1,185.40	0.617	0.73
Port & Harbour	Buildings & Estate	Scope 2	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	1,028,320.49	0.256	262.84
Port & Harbour	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity - T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	1,028,320.49	0.022	22.31
Port & Harbour	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	39,102.00	0.344	13.45
Port & Harbour	Buildings & Estate	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	8,969.27	0.708	6.35
Your Leisure	Buildings	Scope 3	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	3612421	0.184	664.14
Your Leisure	Buildings	Scope 3	Gas	Gas - WTT	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	3612421	0.024	86.37
Your Leisure	Buildings	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	1359976	0.256	347.61
Your Leisure	Buildings	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity - T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	1359976	0.022	29.51
Your Leisure	Buildings	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	21163	0.344	7.28
Your Leisure	Buildings	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	20,104.85	0.708	14.23
Your Leisure	Buildings	Scope 3	Waste	All Waste		t	1.16	1.000	1.16
Mears	Transport	Scope 3	External Organisation Fuel	Diesel	Diesel/miles	miles	0.00	0.241	0.00
Mears	Transport	Scope 3	External Organisation Fuel	Diesel - WTT	Diesel/miles	miles	0.00	0.057	0.00
Mears	Buildings	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	0	0.256	0.00
Mears	Buildings	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity - T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	0	0.022	0.00
Mears	Buildings	Scope 3	Waste	Waste DMR		tCO2e	0	1.000	0.00
Kent Innovation Centre	Buildings	Scope 3	Gas	Gas	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	381,524.00	0.184	70.14
Kent Innovation Centre	Buildings	Scope 3	Gas	Gas - WTT	Natural Gas/kWh	kWh	381,524.00	0.024	9.12
Kent Innovation Centre	Buildings	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	160000	0.256	40.90
Kent Innovation Centre	Buildings	Scope 3	Electricity	Electricity - T&D	Electricity/Generation/kWh	kWh	160000	0.022	3.47
Kent Innovation Centre	Buildings	Scope 3	Water	Water Supply	Water Supply/cbm	cbm	1711.00	0.344	0.59
Kent Innovation Centre	Buildings	Scope 3	Water	Water Sewerage	Water Treatment/cbm	cbm	1625.45	0.708	1.15

Appendix 5 – Carbon Footprint Data QA

			Name				Thanet District Council																	
			Period Covered		FY 19-20																			
Organisational Boundary							Own Building and Estate Leisure Centres KIC																	
							Operational Boundary																	
<u>Scope</u>	<u>Emissions</u> <u>Source</u>	<u>Source</u>	Fuel Type	Additional Information	<u>Units</u> (<u>kWh, I,</u> <u>etc.)</u>	<u>Emission</u> <u>s Factor</u>	<u>Σ Units</u>	<u>tCO 28</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Quality</u>	<u>Significance</u>	<u>Impact</u>	<u>Σ Units</u>	<u>tCO 2e</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Quality</u>	<u>Significance</u>	<u>Impact</u>	<u>Σ Units</u>	<u>tСО 2е</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>Quality</u>	<u>Significance</u>	<u>Impact</u>
	Gas		Natural Gas	Own Buildings & Estate covers: core estate, grounds maintenance, waste collection, crematorium, port & harbours, Civica, EKS	kWh	0.20800	1910203	397.322	0.097994443	1	3	З	3612421	751.384	0.185319143	1	4	4	381524	79.357	0.019572387	1	2	2
1 Direct Emissions	Other	Fuel for equipment	Diesel		litres	3.211	12000	38.532	0.0095	5	1	5												
Direct Emissions																								
	Owned Vehicles (non EV)			Own Buildings & Estate covers: core estate, grounds maintenance, waste collection, crematorium, port & harbour	litres	3.211	474123.54	1522.41	0.375483116	1	5	5												
2 Energy Indirect Emissions	Electricity	Electricity Building Use	Electricity	Own Buildings & Estate covers: core estate, grounds maintenance, waste collection, crematorium, port & harbours, Civica, EKS	kWh	0.277	2469212	683.972	0.168692874	1	4	4	1359976	376.713	0.092911528	1	з	3	160000	44.32	0.010930961	з	2	6
		Electricity	Electricity		kWh	0.277	125460	34.7524	0.00857124	1	1	1												
		Electricity UMS	Electricity		kWh	0.277	62664	17.3579	0.004281111	1	1	1												
	Grey Fleet	Passenger /			tonnes	1	31.33	31.33	0.007727144	1	1	1												
	Own Waste	Waste	All waste		tCO2e	1	0.02836	2.8E-05	6.99463E-09	5	1	5	1.15567	1.15567	0.000285032	1	1	1					<u>_::::::::::::::::</u> :	
3 Other Indirect Emissions	Water	Sewerage	Water Supply Water Treatment	Own Buildings & Estate covers: core estate, grounds maintenance, waste collection, crematorium, port & harbours, Civica, EX	cbm cbm	0.344	80495 35294.73	27.6903	0.006829453	1	1	1	21163	7.28007 14.2336	0.001795537	3	1	3	1711	0.58858	0.000145167	1	1	1
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Appendix 6 – Footprints – Area Breakdown















Appendix 7 – BAU Forecasts





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Appendix 8 – Zero Carbon Green Electricity Supply Options

LASER's support is not confined to these 3 options, and we are in a position to assist with investigating investment in renewable assets through other models, for example directly or through other PPA structures.

It is important to note that some certainty around long term energy requirements is vital when planning in this area.

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Important factors to consider to your organisation	OPTION 1 Green Tariff	OPTION 2 Green Basket	OPTION 3 Pepppa
Volume Commitment	Annual	2-4 years	10< years
REGOs	Yes	Yes	Yes
Direct Funding of Renewables	Minimal	Yes	Yes
Traceability	No	Yes	Yes
Additionality	No	Unlikely	Yes
Lead time to delivery	Within a year	Within a year	Up to 36 months
Ease of Procurement	Very High	Very High	High

REGOs (Renewable Electricity Guarantee of Origin)

REGO certificates are the most widely recognised certification of environmental credentials for energy generation across Europe. They are well administered and the provision of a REGO with each MWh of electricity should guarantee that the energy was

generated from "renewable" sources. The largest problem with REGOs from a zerocarbon perspective is that their definition of "renewable" is not confined to zero carbon technologies but can also include technologies such as gas-fired CHP generation. There is also the possibility of 'greenwashing', as suppliers can buy REGO certificates on the open market without having purchased any power from renewable generators. In August 2021, there was a press release from the government to review electricity green tariffs to address concerns regarding this practice.^{**}

As a consumer, generation cannot necessarily be traced back to a specific asset so it can be unclear as to whether the electricity is zero carbon or not. REGO backed supply can be reported as zero emissions but the validity of this is open to debate.

Therefore, REGO backed supplies are definitely "greener" than grid average electricity supplies, but generation cannot be traced to a specific asset, and they are not categorically zero carbon

Traceability

As touched on above, it is considered important in environmental fields to be able to trace generation to particular assets to provide assurance of renewable origin and add credibility.

Additionality

Additionality is a term that has arisen in recent years and has come to define a very important factor when considering investment in renewable assets or supply contracts - namely that the investment has a genuine impact which would not have been realised otherwise. In this case, 'additionality' can be seen as the investment resulting in the construction of a new generation asset - such as a solar array or wind farm - rather than the consumer receiving energy from an existing renewable asset which would be generating regardless of the consumer's investment.

^{**} Government to tighten rules to stop 'greenwashing' of electricity tariffs - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

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Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs)

PPAs are essentially contractual agreements between off takers (consumers) and suppliers or generators, where an agreement is made to buy and sell an amount of energy generated from a renewable asset for a set term - usually between 10 and 20 years. These agreements allow generators to invest in assets with certainty and guarantees long term green energy supply to the consumer.

Due to the nature of PPAs they tend to be long-term, large volume contracts which can preclude some consumers from entering the market. In order to provide a solution, LASER has created a model where multiple public sector bodies are aggregated in order to increase buying power and are calling this the Public Energy Partnership Power Purchase Agreement (PEPPPA).
To find out more about LASER's Zero Carbon Future please contact us or visit www.laserenergy.org.uk

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