

Climate Change Reporting

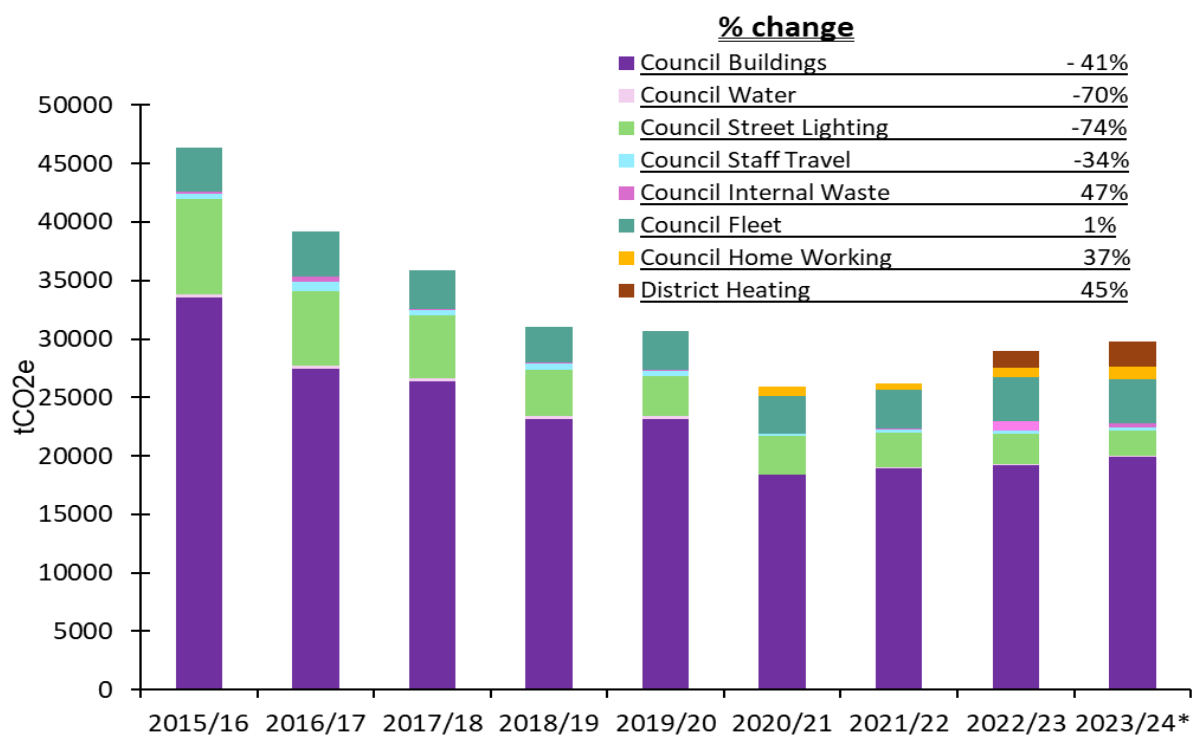
2023/24 Summary Report and 3rd year of Council Climate Change plan progress

Total emissions for 23/24 were 27,634 tCO₂e¹ a 40% reduction since 2015/16, this can be broken down as:

Scope 1 emissions decreased by 29%	Scope 2 emissions decreased by nearly 57%	Scope 3 decreased by 6%
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Our emissions reduced by 45% against the 15/16 baseline data for the Council Climate Change Plan²

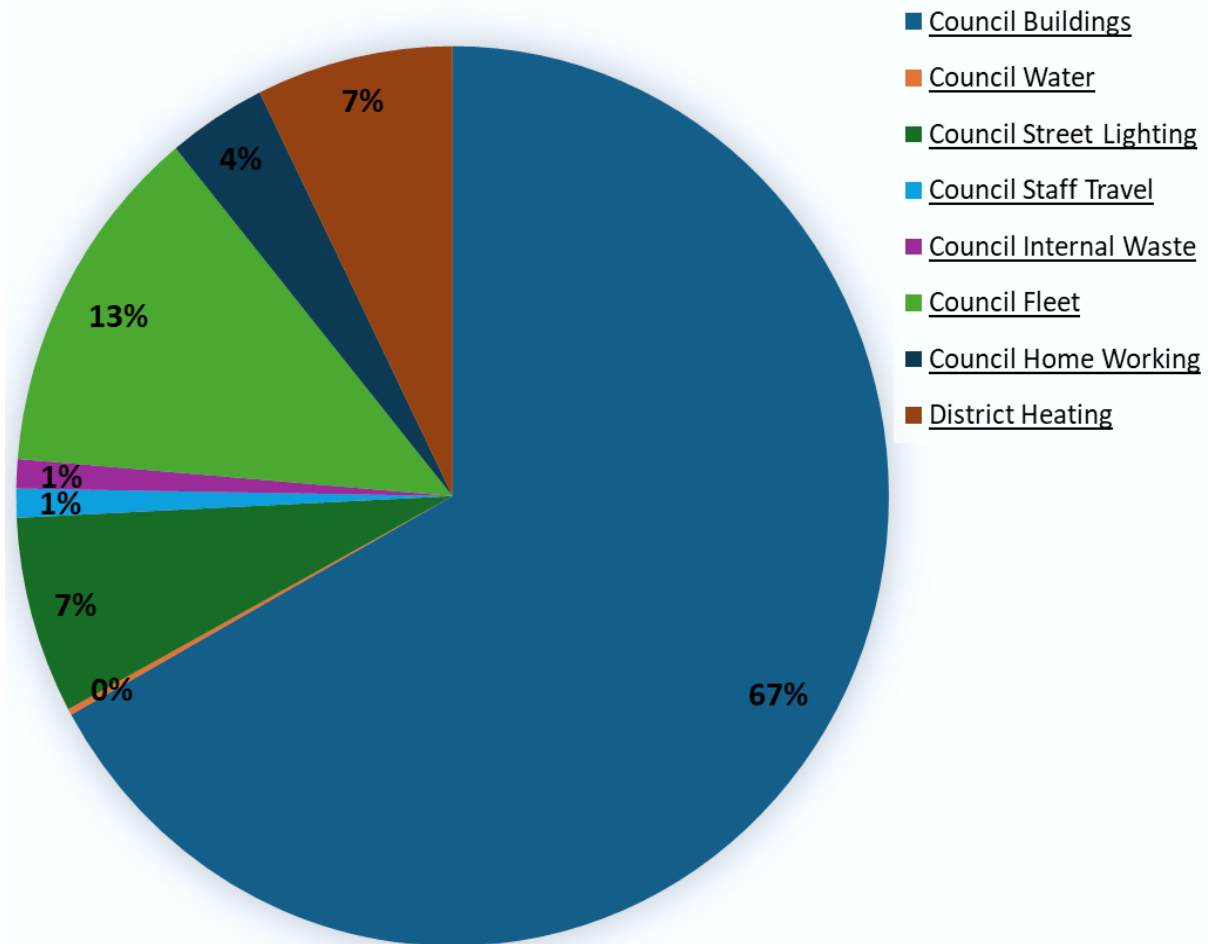
Overall emissions by source (tCO₂e) 2023/24 % change since 2015/16



tCO₂e stands for tonnes of Carbon Dioxide equivalent. This is a standard unit to quantify greenhouse gas emissions.

¹ Includes the addition of district heating data since 2022/23. This data is not included in the 2015/16 baseline and the emissions inventory for the Council Climate Change Plan. This added an additional 2,172 (tCO₂e) in 23/24, without this emissions would have been 25,463 tCO₂e.²

% of breakdown tCO2e - 2023/24



Buildings			
Lighting upgrades to LED installed at Marischal College.	3,631 homes and 30 public buildings now connected to the district heating network.	New Greyhope School and Community Hub opened, with EPC "A" rating and district heating connection.	36 new Gold Standard homes at Cloverhill completed, with air source heat pumps for renewable heating, hot water.

Mobility			
89% of Council fleet is now low emission (EV, H2 Dual Fuel and/or Euro 6).	16 dedicated electric vehicle points installed for 52 vehicles.	86% of Council's external passenger transport providers use low emission vehicles.	14% of Council Fleet alternative powered/hybrid2.

Other operations		
Over 4,700 wildflowers planted in the Parks for Pollinators project.	Over 100 Meadow-in-a-Box: wildflower planters distributed.	38,399 trees planted since winter of 2022.
Aberdeen Flagship Parks for Pollinators received a £37K grant to improve parks.	"It's Your Neighbourhood" involves 40 active groups in 2023/24.	

Leadership and Governance

A Climate Oversight Group is in place and continues to monitor progress	Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and Highland Council Joint Procurement Strategy for 2023-2026 approved and published.	Climate change and nature indicators added to the staff Capability Framework and annual appraisal process.	The Council Carbon Budget for 2024/25 was approved alongside the financial budget in March 2024.
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Awareness and Behaviour Change

A staff 'Taking Action on Climate Change' training course was launched.	The Green Champions Network grew from 75 to 80 members, participating in 5 activities.	Survey launched seeking staff views on Climate & Nature.	Council teams hosted 12 events with over 800 attendees in partnership as part of North East Climate Week 2024.
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