

# ENGAGING WITH YOUR SUPPLY CHAIN

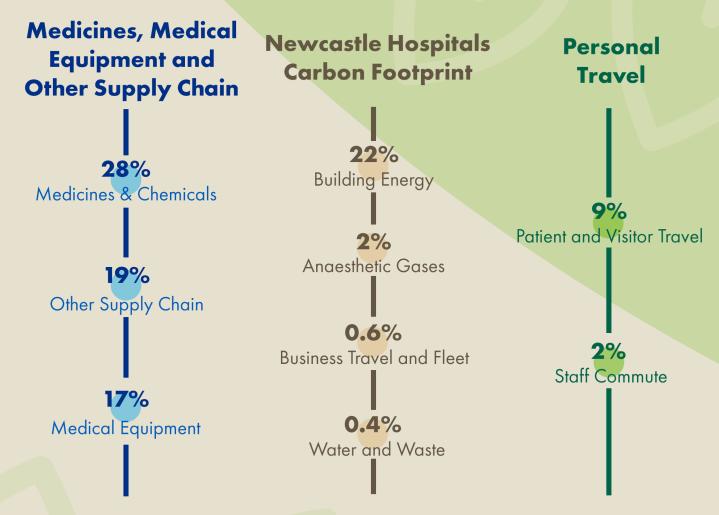
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The NHS represents more than 5% of the UK's total carbon footprint, and the supply chain represents 60% of this amount. So, with Newcastle Hospital's goal of reaching net-zero by 2040 (and a wider NHS goal of 2045), the supply chain is one of the most important areas to look to tackle within the NHS.



But engaging with your supply chain can be a tricky task...

Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has worked to tackle their sustainability issues within their supply chain directly, so we have worked with them to put together a toolkit on how you can actively engage with your supply chain to collaboratively pioneer a greener future in the NHS.



### Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has developed a 5-step framework for supply chain engagement.

#### Step 1

Develop a questionnaire to listen to supplier views.

#### Step 2

Consider delivering webinars or other educational tools to raise awareness, inform and engage suppliers about action plans and reporting. Sharing best practice is vital for change.

#### Step 3

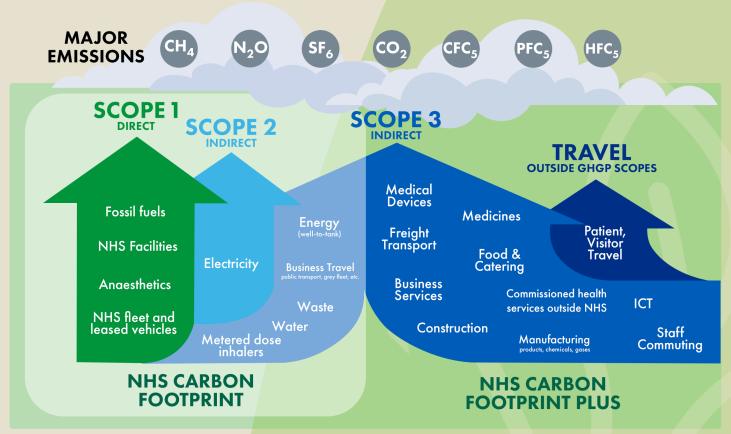
Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust invited suppliers to report their performance directly, via the SmartCarbon Calculator platform.

#### Step 4

Look at the possibility of requiring suppliers to commit and publish Net Zero targets aligned with your hospital's 2040 ambitions, by 2030.

#### Step 5

Publish your finalised carbon reduction plan.







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