

Council Case Study

A Regional UK Council: From SECR Overload to Net Zero Progress



The Regulatory Pressure



Mandatory for councils with >250 employees. Report annual **Scope 1-2 emissions** in Directors' Report. Deadline aligned with accounts filing (EOY). Non-compliance: **Audit failure, governance risk, reputational damage.**



Mandatory energy audits for large public bodies. Covers all energy use: buildings, fleet, third-party suppliers. **Fines up to £1m for non-compliance; auditor fees £50-200k+.** Requires **identification** of cost-effective efficiency measures.



97% of UK councils have 2030-2050 Net Zero pledges. This council has a **Net Zero by 2050 Target.** Funders/partners demand **credible, auditable pathways.** Grant applications increasingly require **verified baseline + reduction plans.**

“Reporting eats our time - we need data for action, not admin.”

“We spend more time chasing data than cutting emissions”

Before CarbonView

The **data** is **scattered: 140+ sites** (offices, libraries, depots) where **manual** collection takes **weeks**
Have historically **not** been **able to track Scope 3** suppliers without **gaps** which create **audit delays**
Have had grant and tender **bids held up** without **verified** baselines

The Cost of Inaction

- Staff Cost** Manual data tracking, assembly, and reporting—every single year. With CarbonView, that coordinator reclaims time for strategy.
- Audit Risk** £20-30k+ in remedial audit fees if SECR/ESOS submission flawed
- Opportunity cost** Delayed grant bids → £500k+ in funding unaccessed.
- Reputational** Late/incomplete submissions damage council credibility on climate.



How CarbonView Solved It

Seamless Data Integration

CarbonView connects fragmented data **without manual effort**:

- Utility invoices and meter reads (buildings, fleet).
- Supplier reports and third-party services via dedicated portal (Scope 3: waste, cleaning, transport).
- Historical data imported for baseline consistency.

Core Capabilities

- Generates SECR/ESOS-compliant outputs with **full audit trail**
- Provides **site-level** and **portfolio dashboards**
- **Flags** potential **energy-saving opportunities** by location
- **Scopes 1, 2 and 3's** emissions are tracked and addressed

Outcomes

Streamlined Reporting

Reporting effort reduced **weeks → days**

Audit-ready documentation **automatically generated**

Data gaps closed

"CarbonView handles the data complexity so we can deliver on our climate commitments."

Strategic Progress

Grant submissions **on time**

Board visibility **by site**

Team focus on **reductions**

When Councils Choose CarbonView

- ✓ Ends **manual data** chasing
- ✓ Grant-ready **data unlocked**
- ✓ SECR/ESOS **compliance delivered**
- ✓ **Accelerate towards** Net Zero **goals**
- ✓ Scope 3 supplier **gaps closed**
- ✓ **Timeline reduced** from weeks to days

One Platform. All Your Data

Set Targets, Monitor Reductions, Measure Savings

Emission Reduction on Autopilot