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Policy: Carbon Footprint Report - signed Verification Statement

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# Verifier's Statement

Auditel is a management consultant that is suitably qualified in carbon emissions measurement and verification.

The verification is conducted using the accepted methodology, by approved verifiers. Those approved to conduct verifications are recorded by Auditel (UK) Limited. This process is transparent and is guided by the requirements ISO14064 -3: 2021 Specification with guidance for the verification and validation of greenhouse gas statements.

Auditel has been appointed to measure and evaluate carbon emissions from 01/08/2021 to 31/07/2022 and to prepare a Carbon Footprint Report for the Entity.

The following Reporting Principles have been met - Completeness, consistency, accuracy, transparency, relevance. Materiality level is 1%.

The GHG emissions are:

Scope 1	833.97 tCO <sub>2</sub> e
Scope 2	457.95 tCO <sub>2</sub> e
Scope 3	1,446.46 tCO <sub>2</sub> e

These emissions have been verified with the following comments on certain areas that could not be fully verified and these are detailed below:

- **Student commuting coach** **Scope 3** **311.39 tCO<sub>2</sub>e**

The college operate coaches on 15 routes for students attending the university. There is no data available on passengers for each journey and therefore each coach has been assumed to be 50% full for each journey. It has not been possible to verify this assumption, but it seems a reasonable assumption to make.

- **Employee Commuting and Homeworking** **Scope 3** **513.31 tCO<sub>2</sub>e**

A staff questionnaire was sent to all staff. 31% of the staff responded and the results from the responses has been used to extrapolate the emissions across the whole work force. However it has not been possible to verify the accuracy of the extrapolation, although the assumption is reasonable and has been correctly applied

- **Business Travel** **Scope 3** **106.45 tCO<sub>2</sub>e**

The university ran 4 overseas trips during the reporting period. No data was available to verify the number of people on each trip or the exact duration of each trip. It has therefore not been possible to verify emissions totalling

87.75 tCO<sub>2</sub>e include within this total. The emissions calculated agree to the average data provided by the College.

This statement is issued 27 November 2023 and is valid for this report only and does not cover any changes to the reporting or organisation boundary after this date.

An assessment of uncertainty impacts upon the stated emissions and a materiality analysis was conducted during the verification. The transparent use of an uncertainty grading is used to compile the report, and this is acceptable. Data included as other than low uncertainty are not verified.

It is noted that the data used in some categories cover different (but within the reporting year) reporting periods and that adjustments are made to correct for this.

Also, excluded from the verification are any statements that are identified as rough estimates.



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