

# Back to Work Connect – Staff Sustainability Snapshot

Back to Work Connect has conducted a staff sustainability survey to better understand commuting habits, remote work trends, energy sourcing, and values around sustainability and community. The insights gathered highlight the low-carbon nature of our operations and areas where we can deepen our climate-conscious practices.

### Summary Table

Category	Key Insights
Team Size	3 responses
Remote Work	100% work-from-home
Commuting Emissions	0 tonnes CO₂/year
Domestic Business Travel	0 km/month
International Business Travel	0 trips in 2023
Hotel Nights (Business Travel)	0 nights
Renewable Energy at Home	Mixed (ranging from 0–100%)
Dominant Sustainability Themes	Environmental, Social, Workplace Inclusion

The above figures demonstrate a very low amount of environmental touchpoints due to a work from home staff. Significant emissions have been avoided in areas of commuting, domestic business travel and international travel.

# Staff Travel & Carbon Footprint

### Commuting Patterns

All respondents currently work **fully remotely**, with no regular commuting reported. This results in **zero commuting-related emissions** — a major sustainability strength and an example of how flexible work policies directly reduce Scope 3 emissions.

### **X** Business Travel

- **Domestic travel:** None of the staff reported traveling domestically for work.
- International travel: No international work-related trips were recorded in 2023.
- Hotel stays: All respondents reported **0** nights spent in overnight accommodation for work.

#### Estimated total annual travel emissions for 2024-2025: ~0 tonnes CO2.

This represents a minimal carbon impact compared to industry norms.

# Y Sustainability Awareness & Sentiment

## \* Themes Staff Resonate With Most

- Environmental (climate, biodiversity, carbon reduction)
- Social (empowering marginalised groups, inclusivity)
- Workplace & Inclusion (diversity, remote flexibility)
- Innovation & Economic Growth (especially from leadership roles)

## Staff Insights

#### **Current practices mentioned:**

- Full-time remote work
- Use of solar panels in home offices (1 respondent)

#### **Suggestions for future improvements:**

- Greater internal branding around sustainability
- More structured marketing of sustainable initiatives
- Engagement in social causes (e.g. women's empowerment, disability support)

## **Solution** Community & Engagement

## Top Community Priorities

- Women Empowerment
- Supporting People with Disabilities
- Workplace Inclusion

## Interests and Support Needs

- Social sustainability and community engagement
- Increased resources or guidance to get more involved
- Company-driven sustainability branding or incentives

# **Recommendations**

## A. Low-Carbon Operations & Monitoring

- Maintain and promote remote-first structure significant CO<sub>2</sub> savings.
- **Encourage home office efficiency**: Provide guidance or incentives for staff to switch to **renewable energy suppliers** where feasible.
- **Introduce a voluntary tracking tool** for any future work-related travel (if relevant), to maintain transparent reporting.

### B. Internal Engagement & Awareness

- Launch a mini "Green Office at Home" challenge to improve energy awareness among remote staff.
- **Host a short webinar series** on sustainability topics (e.g., carbon literacy, climate and social justice, remote work's climate benefits).
- **Promote community grants or partnerships** aligned with your core social values (e.g., support for women re-entering the workforce, rural inclusion initiatives).

## C. Community-Driven Actions

- Create a staff-led social impact calendar, allowing individuals to nominate and spotlight causes they care about (e.g., age action, disability inclusion).
- Collaborate with relevant NGOs or community hubs to align CSR actions with the social sustainability goals your staff clearly value.