Climate
Springboard

WORKSHOP 1

# Drivers for Change

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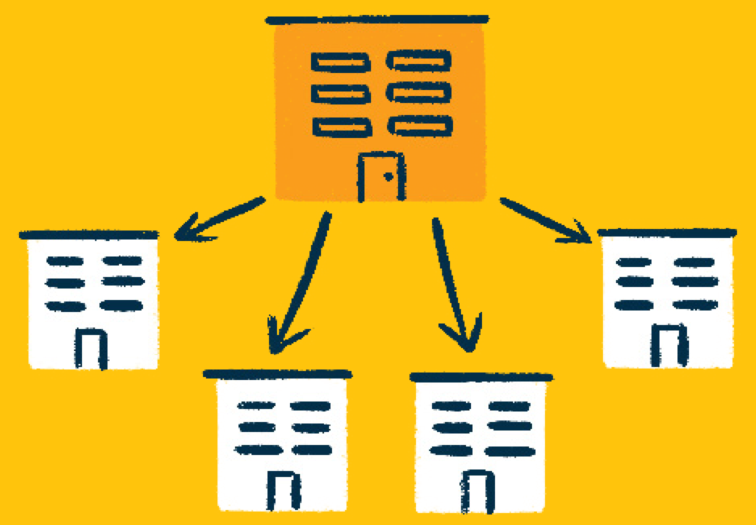

## Supply chain requirements

Large corporations are legally obligated to report their carbon emissions. This will impact the entire supply chain and you may be asked to report your own data to your customers.

E.g. Tesco® is looking to report their Scope 3 emissions – which will include their supply chain.


## Employee retention and recruitment

There is a growing expectation from employees that employers are acting on climate.

Demonstrating climate action can ensure you attract and retain the best talent in the workforce.


## Cost

Cutting carbon cuts your costs.

By reducing your energy consumption, you can see major financial savings.


## Access to funding

Loans and grants are becoming more readily available for businesses who take steps to reduce their carbon emissions.


## Regulation

The Scottish Government is committed to reaching net zero by 2045. To get here, regulation is being introduced across sectors.

E.g. Waste to be reduced by 1/3 by 2028.

## Differentiation

Customers now expect businesses to reduce their impact on our planet.

Sustainability can be a driving factor when deciding what company to buy from.

## Planet

Global temperatures risk reaching 1.5° above pre-industrial levels and beyond. IPCC states ‘swift, drastic’ action is required to prevent irrevocable damage to world.

## Climate risk

Severe weather such as storms and flooding are becoming the new norm.

This can disrupt supply chains and damage infrastructure; businesses will need to adapt.

## Learn more about net zero transitions for SMEs

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