

Office of the Regulator of the National Lottery

Climate Action Roadmap 2025



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Introduction

The Public Sector Climate Action Mandate was approved by the Government of Ireland in July 2022 as a component of the Climate Action Plan 2021 (CAP21). This required public sector bodies to put in place a Climate Action Roadmap to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 51% by 2030 and increase the improvement in energy efficiency from the 33% target in 2020 to 50% by 2030. The current Public Sector Climate Action Mandate was reviewed and updated as part of the preparation for Climate Action Plan 2025 (CAP25).

This is the Office of the Regulator of the National Lottery (ORNL's) second Climate Action Roadmap and is drawn up under CAP25. It aims to build on the provisions outlined in the Climate Action Roadmap 2024 and demonstrate the continued determination of the ORNL to achieve our climate action goals.

We incorporate environmental accountability and awareness throughout our culture, business operations, and practices through:

- Our People
 - Governance
 - Teams
 - Staff
- Targets
- Ways if working
- Buildings

Statement from Senior Management

The office of the Regulator of the National Lottery is a small regulatory office of 11 staff that requires no facility for the public, no vehicles, and leases a small office premises. Our main objective under this Roadmap is to reduce our carbon emissions by 2030.

Our small corporate affairs team is vigilant in keeping up with changing requirements in corporate governance, including green procurement and doing everything possible to make our processes and activities as climate responsible as possible.

I am committed to ensuring that we play our part to achieve energy savings and have the best Climate Action Plan possible to reach Government targets by 2030.



Carol Boate, **Regulator of the National Lottery**



Our People

Governance

The Regulator of the National Lottery was created by the National Lottery Act 2013 to provide independent oversight of the operation of Ireland's National Lottery. The first Regulator was appointed in November 2014.

The Regulator carries out a range of functions to ensure the terms of the licence agreement between the State and the Operator are honoured, all funds raised for good causes are transferred to the State and accounted for, and that National Lottery trademarks are being protected.

The officials at the office of the Regulator of the National Lottery work to ensure that the Licence is operating in practice. A comprehensive suite of oversight mechanisms is in place and a track record of holding the operator to account has been established.

The ORNL is currently located on the second floor, 5 Georges Dock, Dublin 1 under a 15-year lease agreement.

Governance Structure

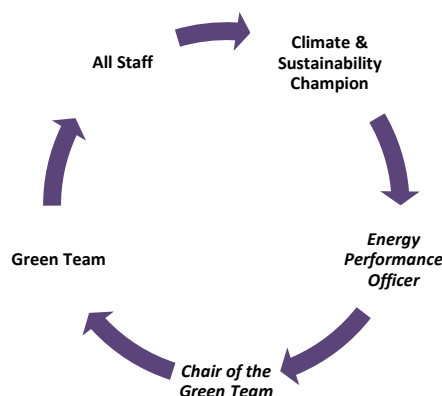
1. The Regulator holds the title of ***Climate and Sustainability Champion***. This role carries the responsibility of implementing and reporting on CAP25 and this Roadmap.
2. The Corporate Affairs Manager holds the title of ***Energy Performance Officer***.

Leadership

The Climate Action Mandate requires that Public Bodies address staff engagement with climate action and ensure that appropriate training, as well as leadership and governance structures, are established to facilitate this.

Green Team

The ORNL's Green Team consists of the Corporate Affairs Manager, Corporate Affairs Officer & Clerical Officer which meet on a Quarterly Basis.





Engaging our Staff

Following the establishment of the first Climate Action Roadmap in 2024, the Green Team has commenced regular communications to all staff on various sustainability topics, including device use and energy efficiency, with support from Building Facilities staff.

Staff training

The green team attend SEAI climate action training when offered and feed this information to all staff when necessary. The ORNL encourages change and intends to run an all-staff workshop in 2025 developed and hosted by the Green Team.

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Senior Leadership Training

The Regulator has attended Climate Leadership Training in 2024.



Targets

We are committed to our duty to reduce our carbon use by 2030. We have developed this roadmap in line with the CAP25 and the Guidelines from the SEAI and the Department.

We have placed this Climate Action Roadmap at the forefront by prioritising its goals and integrating its strategies into our core planning and decision-making processes. This approach ensures that climate action remains a central focus, guiding our initiatives and fostering sustainable development across all levels.

We are focused on strengthening our support to climate and biodiversity action, as well as broader sustainability aims.

Our Actions

Actions Taken in 2024:

- ✓ Developed a Climate Action Roadmap.
- ✓ Appointed a Green Team - Corporate Affairs Manager, Corporate Affairs Officer and Clerical Officer.
- ✓ Appointed a Climate Action Champion - Corporate Affairs Manager.
- ✓ Senior management attended a climate action leadership training course.
- ✓ Zero use of single use plastics reinforced with reusable lidded coffee cups.
- ✓ Promoted correct use of general waste and green recycling
- ✓ Promoted engagement with the Re-turn scheme for on premises bottles
- ✓ Provided Battery recycling facilities
- ✓ Sensor lighting installed in 50% of internal offices
- ✓ Ensured LED bulbs used
- ✓ All electronics set to "Sleep Mode" after 10 mins of in activity
- ✓ Use of buildings WEEE cage and recycling old electrical equipment
- ✓ On going reduction of paper-based processes
- ✓ Continued use of E-Signature documentation to reduce paper use
- ✓ Procurement Policy amended to reflect the provisions on Green Procurement (GPP)
- ✓ Reported our power to SEAI using M&R Monitoring and Reporting
- ✓ Provided all staff with branded reuse travel coffee cups



Energy Efficiency

When procuring new office equipment and services the ORNL will prioritise energy efficient ratings of "A" where available.

The selection of our Energy provider will be based on % of renewables used in the energy mix.

ORNL ICT procurement requires all equipment to be energy efficient and being TCO Certified and Energy Star Certified where possible.

Equipment Recycling

Obsolete equipment is donated or recycled depending on the operational status of the equipment.

Emission Reduction Actions

From 2015 to 2020 the ORNL occupied a space 265 SqM with a BER Rating of D1. On 1 January 2024, the ORNL entered into a new lease agreement in a new premises of 266 SqM with a BER Rating of C1. The new location was selected from available stock in the market.

The office space has a newly installed (2024) Fan coil modern heating /cooling system and sensor activated lighting in communal spaces.

Under the lease agreement, the ORNL is billed 4.384% of the whole building utility costs of gas, electricity, wastewater, refuse and recycling utilities.

Approximately 56% of total reported consumption in 2024 is attributable to the shared space in the leased building. The plant room which forms a significant part of this shared space consumption. This plant room is due for a planned upgrade, a time frame to be advised in the future by Building Management/ Landlord.

The organisation is on target with overall CO2 emissions. Attention to fossil fuel reduction is required. The ORNL will continue to work with the Landlord



Our Way of Working

Hybrid and Flexible Working

Hybrid working is available to all staff, with just two mandatory in-office days per week. The ORNL maximises the benefits of available technology, such as MS Teams, and remote working to facilitate flexible working arrangements. This positively affects the quality of our work, carbon footprint, and general wellbeing as we seek to promote and engage in practices that mutually support work-life balance and productivity.

Digital Document Management and Collaboration

We use an enhanced digital approach to a paperless office environment, using Microsoft Office suite and E-Signature systems to facilitate paperless working. The ORNL takes a digital-first approach to all documentation creation and retention.

Single Use and Repurposing

All staff are provided with reusable water bottles and branded travel cups.

Single-use plastics have been removed from use permanently

We work with companies that repair and refurbish IT equipment, contributing to a circular economy model by extending the equipment's life cycle.

Turn It Off Approach

Our office prioritises LED lighting in all office spaces and motion sensor lights in most of the office space. All printers and electronic items within the ORNL offices have been set to “sleep mode” when not in use and switched off when not in use.



Energy efficient devices: Staff have been provided with laptops as a more energy-efficient option over traditional desktop PCs. Laptops are set to automatically go into “sleep mode” when not used for 15 minutes, saving energy and enhancing data security.

Waste Management

Office waste is separated and recycled wherever possible, including waste IT equipment, printer cartridges, etc.

There is on site WEEE Ireland recycling cage available for use as needed.



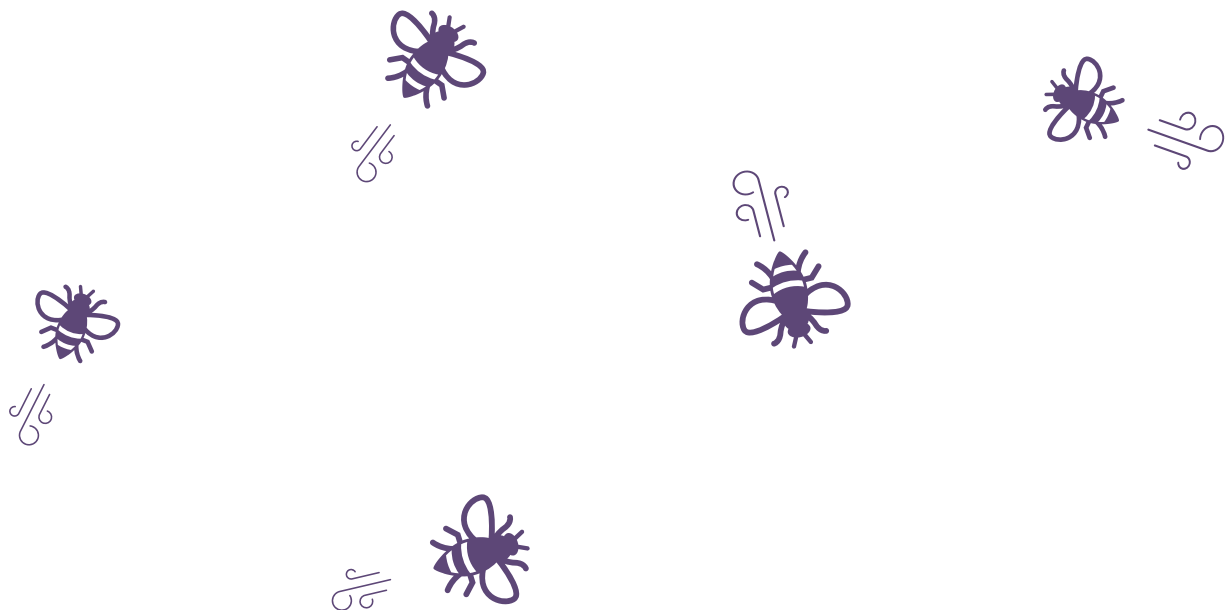
We continue to work with our landlord and building management team to ensure efficient environmental protection practices including the management of workspaces, waste, and recycling.

Green Public Procurement (GPP)

For procurement of goods, services or works in 2024 all RFT/ RTQ have a weighted average for Environmental / Social criteria. None were at a value above the applicable EU procurement thresholds. Our Procurement Policy has been revised and includes the Green Public Procurement Implementation Mandate set out in Buying Greener: Green Public Procurement Strategy and Action Plan 2024-2027.

Environmental Initiatives

The Landlords of the office building which the ORNL occupies has engaged with a local beekeeping initiative associated with the Native Irish Honeybee Society. Lynn Fitzpatrick of HoneyFitz has installed bee hives on the roof of 5 Georges Dock. The Native Irish Black Bees are a welcome sight to the I.F.S.C area, pollenating the trees and flowers in this otherwise concrete jungle. Lynn places hives on many sites around Dublin City to help protect the Irish Black Bee species from threats like habitat loss and genetic dilution from imported bees.





Our Buildings and Vehicles

Building Management

On 1 January 2024, the ORNL entered into a new lease agreement in a new premises of 266 SqM with a BER Rating of C1. The new location was selected from available stock in the market by prioritising

- a) Improved BER rating
- b) autonomy over power consumption for the office space and
- c) access to public transport. This new office location addressed all three.

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Vehicles

The ORNL does not own company vehicles.

Sustainable Travel Policies

The ORNL supports its staff who wish to avail of public transport when commuting to work by maintaining a city centre location, close to a range of public transport options.

Our staff are encouraged to use public transport when travelling to work-related meetings.

The ORNL prioritises digital attendance with external parties.



Cycling and Shared mobility

Participation in the cycle to work scheme has been successful with two (2) staff availing of the scheme and 20% of staff cycling regularly. There is secure bicycle parking provided for staff wishing to cycle to work and access to showers, if required.



Phasing out parking

The ORNL retains one parking space as part of its lease agreement. The primary function of this space is to provide access for those with specific needs.

Procurement of Zero Emissions Vehicles

The ORNL do not own and has no plans to purchase vehicles.



Sustainability & Energy Usage

Procedures for offsetting the emissions associated with official air travel.

The ORNL have reported and paid into the Climate Action Fund for the use of air travel, when relevant thus complied with Circular 1/2020 as reported in our 2024 Annual Report

Green House Gases

In 2024 the ORNL produced 10,997 KgCO₂. This was 72.5% below the baseline of 40,010 kgCO₂. To achieve the 2030 target of 9,439kg CO₂, total CO₂ must reduce by another 14.2% from 2024 level within six years.

Energy Efficiency

By 2024, energy performance had improved by 79.4% since the baseline. If energy performance is maintained at this level for another 6 years, the efficiency target will be achieved.

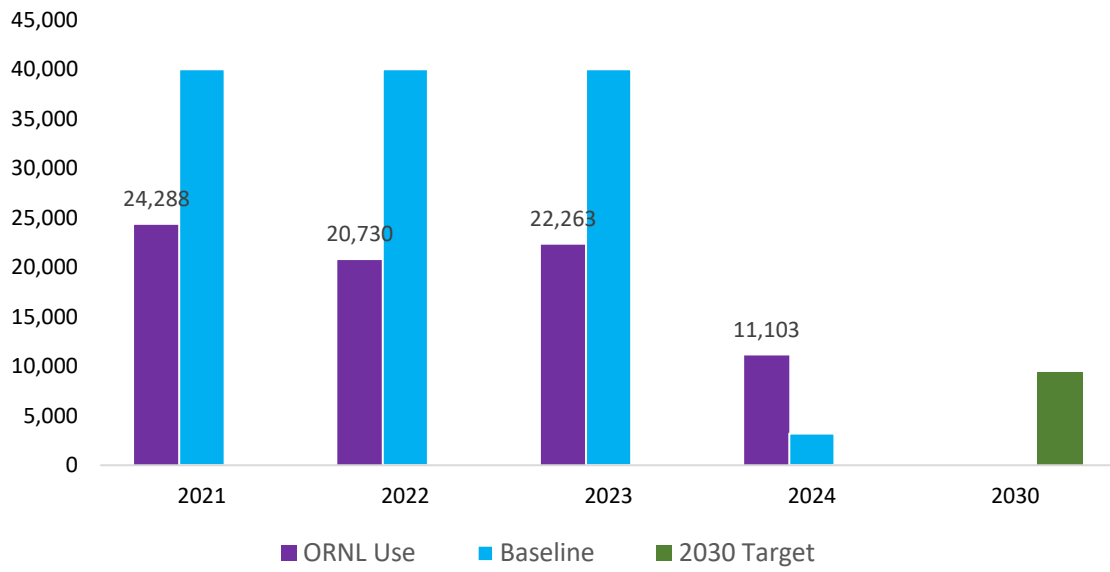
Energy Usage

The main energy usage relates to heating, lighting and hot water for the office. It should be noted that this energy usage also includes the temporary space the ORNL rented (14.9 SqM) in Qtr. 1 2024.

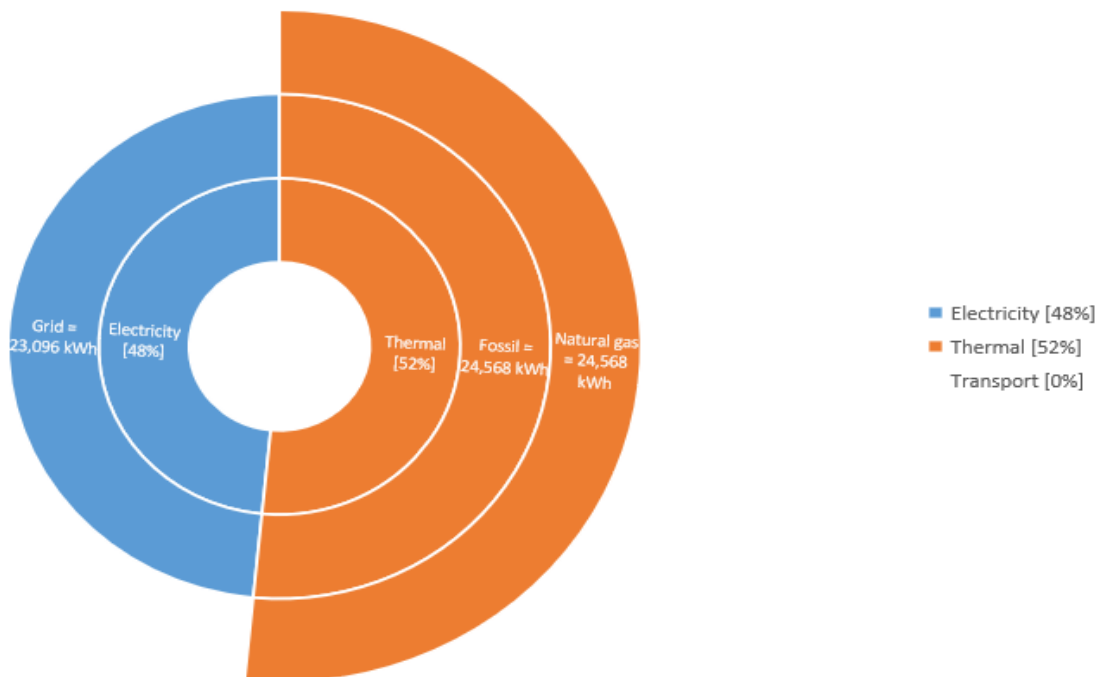
- Electricity Usage: 22.54 MWh.
- Fossil Fuel Usage: 27.23 MWh.
- Total Usage 49.78 MWh.



2021-2024 CO2 Actual Emissions



2024 final energy consumption





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