

**Supply Chain Decarbonisation**

**Call for applications: Task Group**

The built environment is responsible for 25% of the UK’s greenhouse gas emissions and in order to rapidly decarbonise, the industry must mobilise multiple sectors towards this common goal. At the core of any industry’s activity are complex supply chains that necessitate collaborative work to gain the clarity, agreement and support needed to implement the correct actions that deliver results. For the majority of built environment organisations, emissions within their supply chain make up the largest proportion of their carbon footprint.    
   
To address this challenge, UKGBC will work with industry experts to establish an ongoing stream of work that will bring cross-sector collaboration to overcome some of the barriers facing supply chains, as described below.

Project overview

Project Scope

Following our scoping phase, it is expected that over the coming years the overall stream of work will cover the following six key topic areas:

1. Supplier/SME Engagement: Establishing and maintaining effective relationships early in the supply chain
2. Low Carbon Materials: Combatting the risks associated with low carbon materials and matching the increased demand
3. Cost: The associated costs of innovative products and sustainable practices
4. Knowledge and Skills: The lack of awareness around embodied carbon and the associated impacts
5. Data: Absence of a clear standardised process to tracking and reporting data
6. Procurement: Accessible and practical routes to sourcing low carbon materials

The initial anticipated areas of work for the first year of this process will be focusing on Procurement and Supplier/SME Engagement.

Anticipated work:

Given the broad scope of this workstream, rather than a single output (such as a report), it is expected that there will be a variety of work and types of output. This will involve both supporting ongoing UKGBC work that touch on themes of decarbonising supply chains, as well as new outputs including, but not exclusive to:

* Toolkits & Guidance Documents
* Educational Work
  + Knowledge sharing events
  + Training courses
* Industry Engagement
  + Workshops, roundtables & forums
  + Campaigns
  + Conferences
* Policy Advocacy

Programme

The anticipated period during which Task Group member input is required is **January** to **December 2025**, involving attendance at monthly Task Group Workshops.

**Task Group**

Purpose

The work involved in this workstream will be supported by a specialist Task Group. The Task Group will be responsible for inputting into the scope, attending a series of focused workshops, and drafting and reviewing elements of any final outputs.

The Task Group will work towards the following key objectives:

* Identify and review existing industry guidance to inform scope and content of the eventual output.
* Reflect on your or your clients’ experiences in defining and implementing supply chain decarbonisation, providing insight into key challenges and solutions.
* Work with UKGBC to develop the actions and work that will be undertaken during the first year of the Supply Chain Decarbonisation workstream
* Co-create, develop and draft content for any outputs that the task group determine are needed

Experience

Task group applicants should be able to demonstrate relevant experience and knowledge in the anticipated topics areas: Procurement, Supplier engagement, SME engagement, or Supply chain management.

Commitments and responsibilities

As a Task Group member, you will be expected to:

* Contribute a minimum of **8 hours per month** between January and December 2025, inclusive of workshop times.
* Support the development of outputs throughout the programme, including attending project meetings, reviewing literature, and drafting material.
* Provide specialist knowledge and expertise.
* Support dissemination of outputs through participation in or presentation at awareness-raising and engagement events.
* Encourage your organisation to promote the outputs, engaging with your communications (or other internal) teams where relevant.

How to apply

**Task Group** applications will remain open until **Thursday 31st October**. To apply using the template below, discuss this opportunity, join the mailing list, or for general enquiries, please email [ANZ@ukgbc.org](mailto:ANZ@ukgbc.org).

*Table 2: Application template*

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| **Organisation name** |  |
| **Full name, job title and department of proposed representative** |  |
| **Relevant knowledge, experience, and skills for this project *(max 200 words)*** |  |
| **Are you able to honour the time commitment of 8 hours per month for this project?** |  |
| **Are there any workshop dates that you are unable to attend?** |  |
| **Is there anything else you would like to add, for us to consider as part of the application?** |  |
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Applicants will be chosen based on their experience, whilst seeking to ensure a diversity of individuals within the Task Group. UKGBC is committed to actively targeting a diverse representation in the composition of all project groups. We want to be inclusive to everyone regardless of ethnicity, religious beliefs, gender, marital status, age, disability, sexual orientation, or political beliefs.

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