## UK's Multilateral Assessment

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## UK is on track to meet its 2020 targets, and in 2019 overachieved in the non-traded sector

The UK committed to reduce emissions by 20% compared to 1990, as part of a joint fulfilment agreement with the EU

#### **EU 2020 Climate and Energy Package**

Split in two parts, to deliver on the 2020 target

- Traded Sector: 21% reduction by 2020 compared to 2005 (covered by the EU ETS)
- Non-Traded Sector: 10% reduction by 2020 compared to 2005 (UK target was set at 16% under the Effort Sharing Decision)



# UK Climate Change Act (2008) underpins action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

## Long-term target

Commits the UK to reaching **net zero** GHG emissions by 2050.

## Carbon budgets

Requirement that we cap GHG emissions over successive 5 year periods.

## Scrutiny

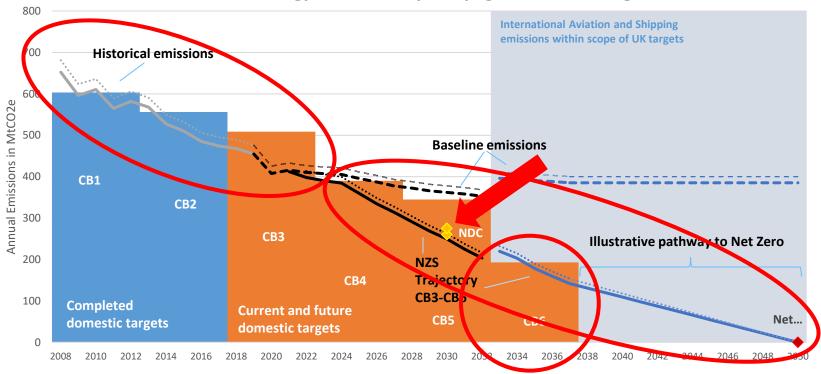
Established an independent Climate Change Committee (CCC).

#### **Cross Party Support**



## Beyond 2020, UK is committed to ambitious climate action





- Two Net Zero Strategy trajectories are shown for different Global Warming Potential (GWP) assumptions: 1) solid line = current (AR4) GWP and 2) dotted line = cautious AR5 with feedback GWP.
- GWP assumptions also impact NDC MtCO2e equivalent as indicated by the two yellow diamonds representing low/high GWP assumptions
- Baseline reflects analysis for the Net Zero Strategy, reflecting 2019 inventory. 2037-2050 illustrative only.
- 2020-21 data slightly simplified for presentation.

## Our economy-wide Net Zero Strategy sets out:

How we will transition to a **green and sustainable future**, helping businesses and consumers move to clean power, supporting hundreds of thousands of **well-paid jobs** and leveraging up to **£90 billion of private investment** by 2030.

#### What is in the strategy?



The vision for a net zero future



Our decarbonisation pathways to net zero by 2050



Policies and proposals to reduce emissions for each sector, building on recent sectoral strategies



Cross-cutting enablers to support the transition such as innovation, finance and governance

#### **Headline sectoral commitments**



Fully decarbonised **power sector** by 2035



Deliver **5 GW of hydrogen production** by 2030 whilst **halving emissions from oil and gas** 



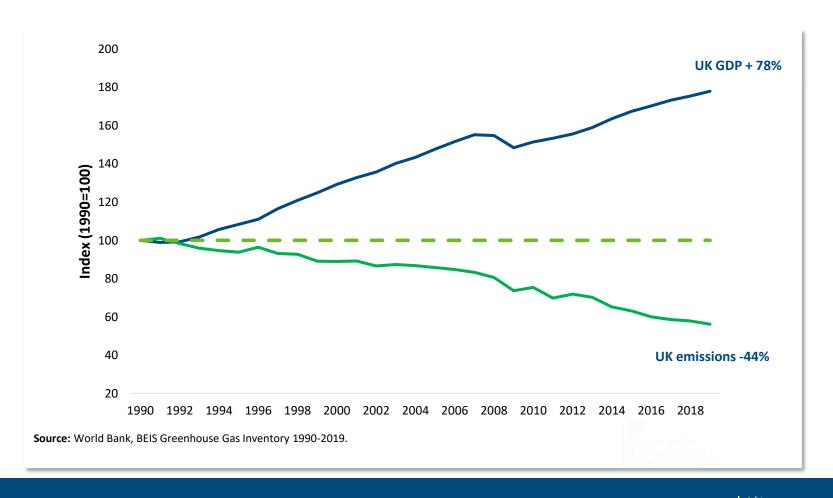
By 2035 all cars must be fully zero emissions capable. This will be supported by £620m for ZEV grants and EV infrastructure.

Kickstart zero emissions air travel.



Set us on a path to all new heating appliances in homes and workplaces from 2035 being low carbon by driving down the cost of **low carbon** heating technologies such as heat pumps for consumers.

# The UK has a strong record in decarbonising whilst growing the economy



# The UK has experienced many successes over the years but there have also been challenges

### Successes

- Waste emissions decreased by 71% between 1990 and 2019
- As of 2021, there are 175,000 fully zero emission vehicles in the UK
- Fossil fuel generation at a record low with the share of coal free electricity generation in 2019 increased by 97%

## Challenges

- Twin challenge of balancing biodiversity loss and tackling climate change
- Developing new technologies and bringing down costs to decarbonise sectors such as industry and buildings
- Harnessing business ambition



# International Assessment and Review process is an important part of climate action



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