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# Greencore unveils a range of sustainability pledges Net zero emissions by 2040, and all packaging to be recyclable or reusable by 2025

Greencore, a leading manufacturer of convenience foods in the UK, is today outlining a new sustainability strategy which includes a range of pledges across the areas of sourcing, manufacturing, and community engagement.

The pledges, which are being presented at a seminar for investors and analysts later today, include commitments that all of the Group's packaging will be recyclable or reusable by 2025, that food waste will be reduced by 50% by 2030, and that Greencore will operate with net zero emissions by 2040. Other notable commitments include:

- A fully recyclable sandwich skillet will be developed and brought to market in 2021
- A deforestation-free supply chain by 2025
- All raw materials will be sustainably sourced by 2030
- All surplus product will be donated to local communities by 2022
- Product development will be equally split between animal protein versus plant-rich alternatives by 2030

Greencore's sustainability credentials are already well established, and the pledges build on the strong progress that the Group has made in this area in recent years. For example, since 2018 Greencore has reduced its energy consumption by 10%, reduced its water usage by 9%, and cut its total net Scope 1 & 2 carbon emissions by 39%. In the areas of community engagement and social responsibility, in 2020 alone the Group donated over 1.5 million meals to people in need, and also created over 1,300 new permanent roles for people that were previously on agency contracts.

## Commenting on the new sustainability strategy, Patrick Coveney, Chief Executive Officer of Greencore, said:

"At Greencore, we are passionate about playing our part in building a fairer and more resilient food system for generations to come. We want to ensure that our actions and products make a real difference in improving people's lives — whether it's through the provision of tasty, healthier, affordable food, gainful employment or social development. The pledges that we have made reflect our long-term ambitions for sustainability, as well as our confidence that we can realise them."





Further details on Greencore's sustainability strategy and commitments can be found here: https://www.greencore.com/sustainability/

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#### **About Greencore**

We are a leading manufacturer of convenience food in the UK and our purpose is to make every day taste better. We supply all of the major supermarkets in the UK. We also supply convenience and travel retail outlets, discounters, coffee shops, foodservice and other retailers. We have strong market positions in a range of categories including sandwiches, salads, sushi, chilled snacking, chilled ready meals, chilled soups and sauces, chilled quiche, ambient sauces and pickles, and frozen Yorkshire Puddings.

In FY20 we manufactured 619m sandwiches and other food to go products, 116m chilled prepared meals, and 264m bottles of cooking sauces, pickles and condiments. We carry out more than 10,000 direct to store deliveries each day. We have 16 world-class manufacturing sites in the UK, with industry-leading technology and supply chain capabilities. We generated revenues of £1.3bn in FY20 and employ approximately 12,200 people. We are headquartered in Dublin, Ireland.

For further information go to www.greencore.com or follow Greencore on social media.

