

**Carbon Emissions  
2022 Report**

Queen's



# About us

Queen's is a London-based fine art shipping and specialist logistics provider that serves the world's top galleries, artists and private clients.

We strive to do what's right, looking after those that work with us and encouraging positive environmental and social action throughout everything that we do.







## Why now

Reporting carbon emissions is an important first step in ensuring we understand what's driving our emissions. In turn, this allows us to build a targeted plan to reduce and monitor the emissions that are produced as we work towards our goal.

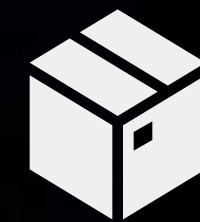
Consequently, in January 2021, Queen's joined **The Gallery Climate Coalition**, formally committing to reduce our carbon emissions by 50% by 2030 (in line with the Paris Agreement).

This report is a record of Queen's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and an outline of our Carbon Reduction Strategy.



# Industry Overview

There are three key sustainability issues in the art world that need to be addressed in order for us to meet our commitment to reduce emissions by 50%, in line with the Paris Agreement.



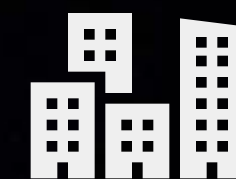
## Packaging

Plastic materials, waste and single use packaging



## Transportation

Especially international air travel



## Physical Spaces

Galleries, offices, and storage facilities





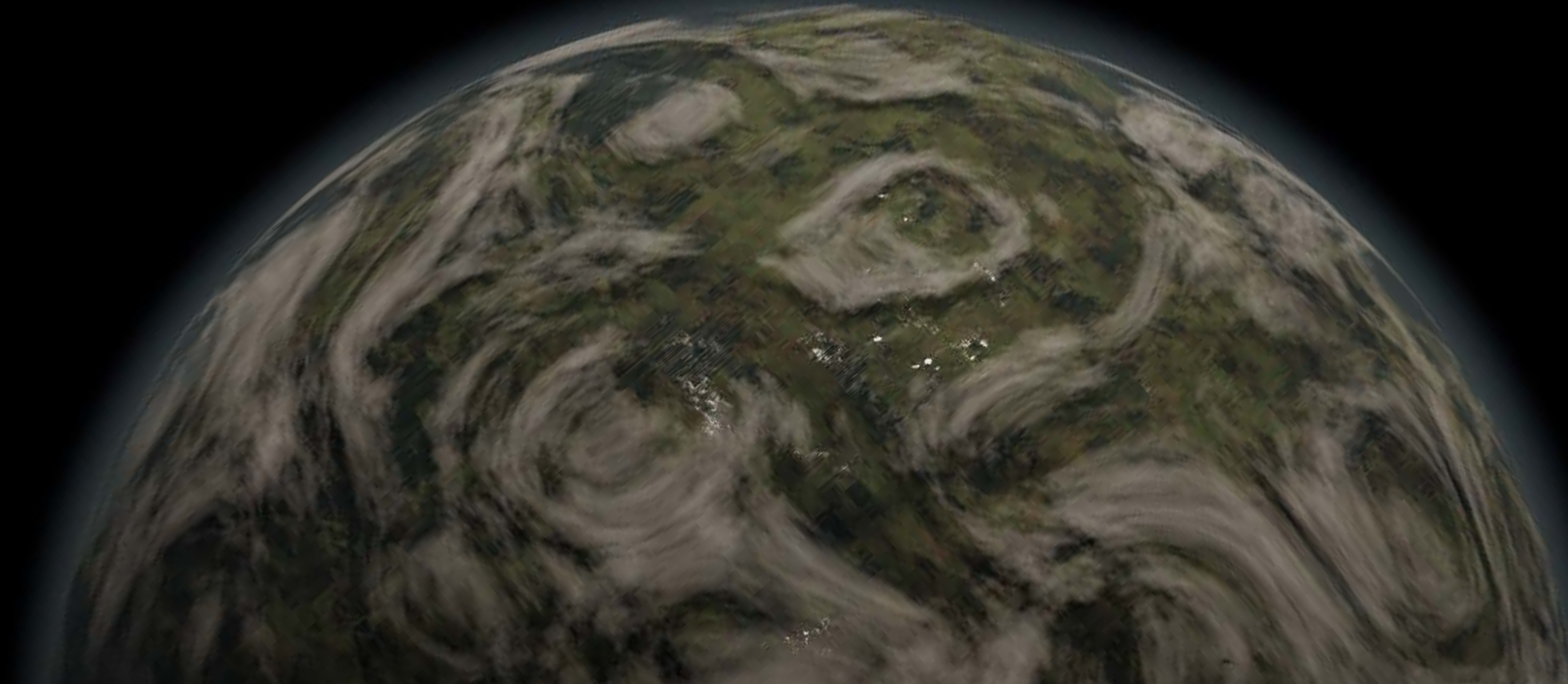
**Our current levels  
of CO2 emissions**

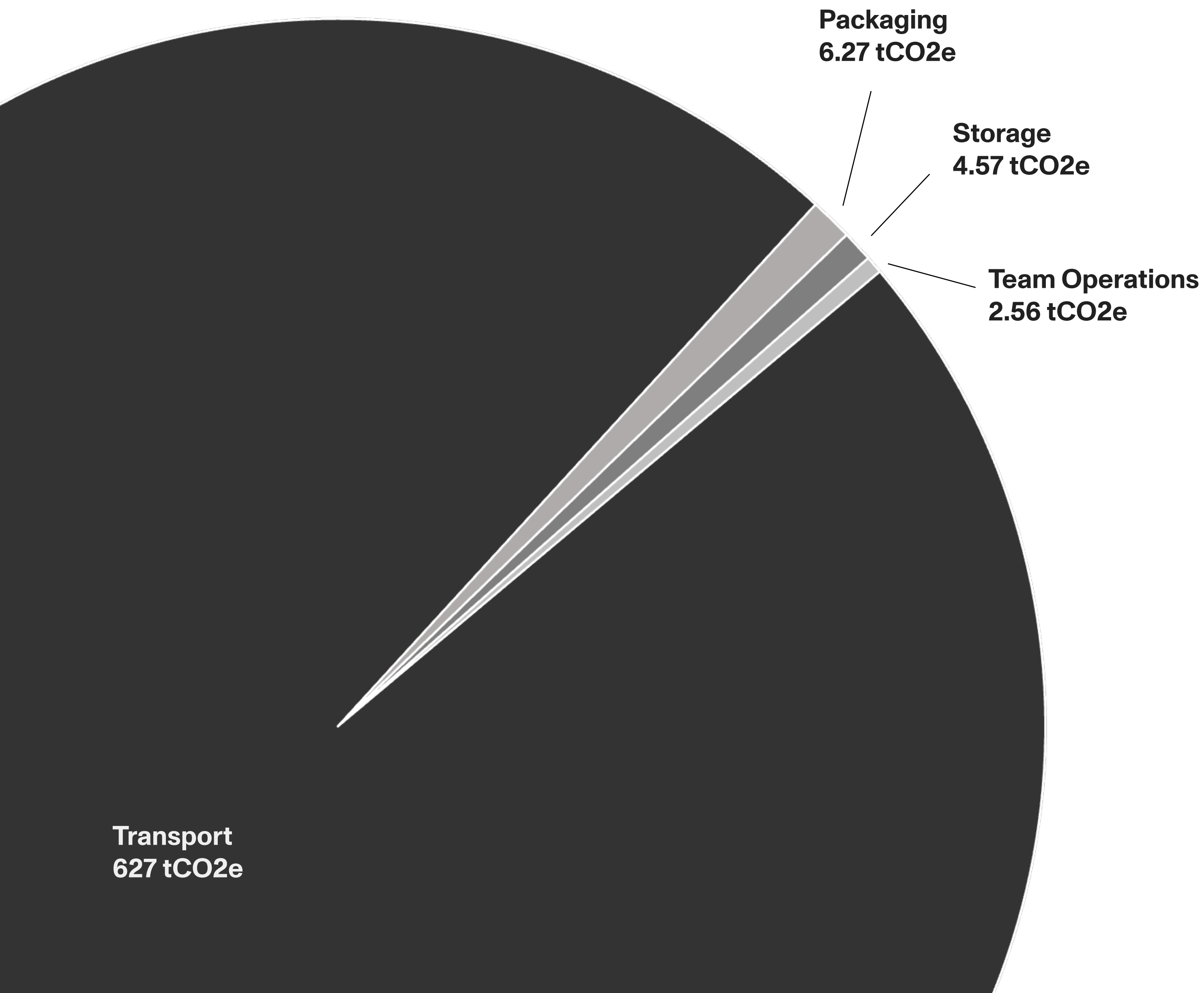


**Queen's estimated total  
yearly carbon footprint**

**640.39 tCO<sub>2</sub>e**

tCO<sub>2</sub>e = tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions





# The detail

Despite concerns around sustainable packaging materials and energy consumption in storage, the transport of works generated the largest proportion of our total emissions.

Transport emissions were driven by air-freight movements, which accounted for over 90% of all transport emissions generated.





## Assumptions & Exclusions

**Packaging:** For soft packed materials, including card and tape which are not weighed, a nominal percentage of 10% of the total shipment emissions was taken.

**Other:** For smaller scale, contributors, including cloud computing and alike, the emissions generated by these operations were so minor that these were not included in this report.



**Our progress so far**

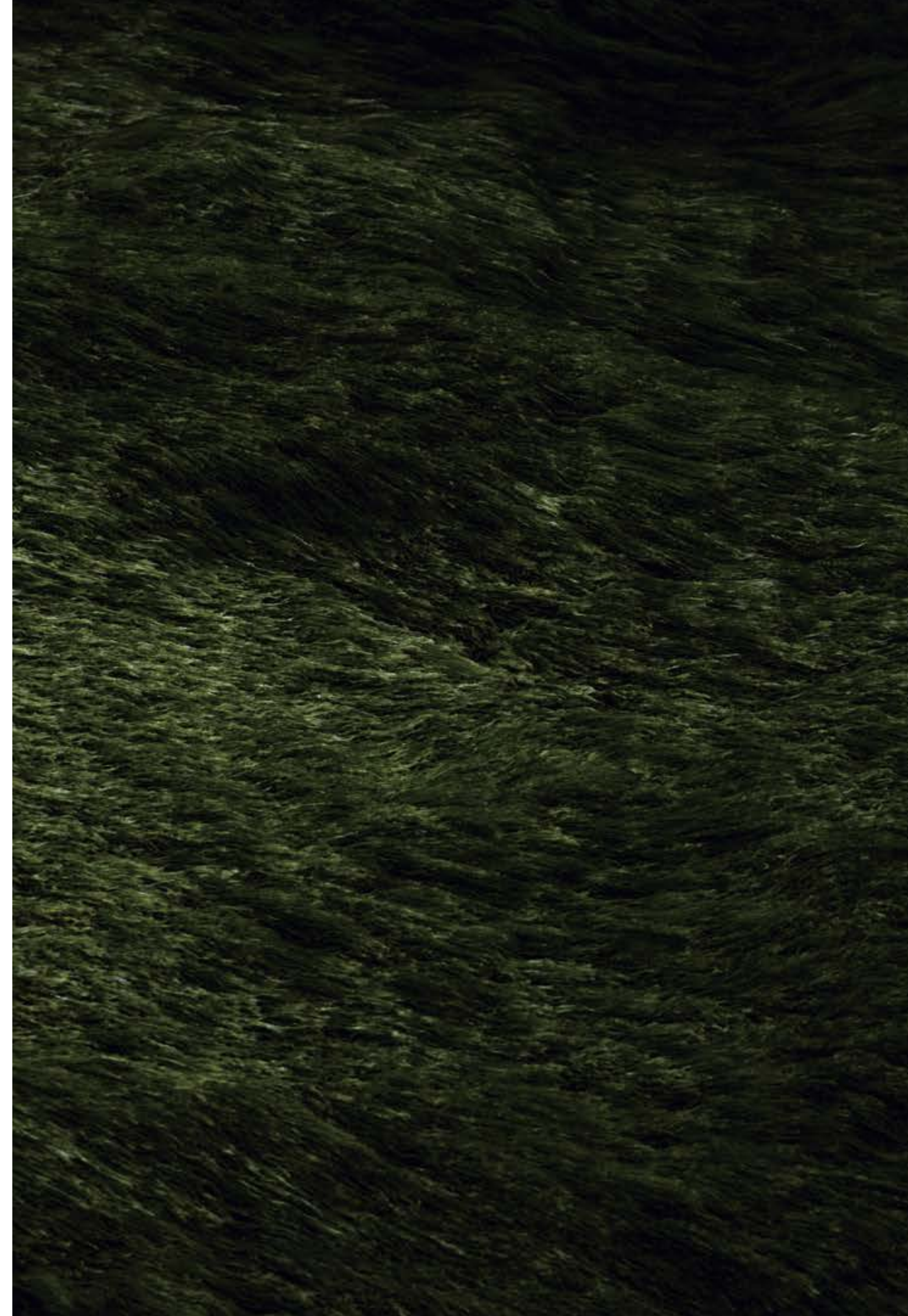




# **We're monitoring our CO2 emissions**

The first step to meeting our target to reduce our carbon emissions is to monitor the emissions that we are producing and from what.

That's why we are now using The Gallery Climate Coalition's Carbon Calculator to complete our annual carbon audits.







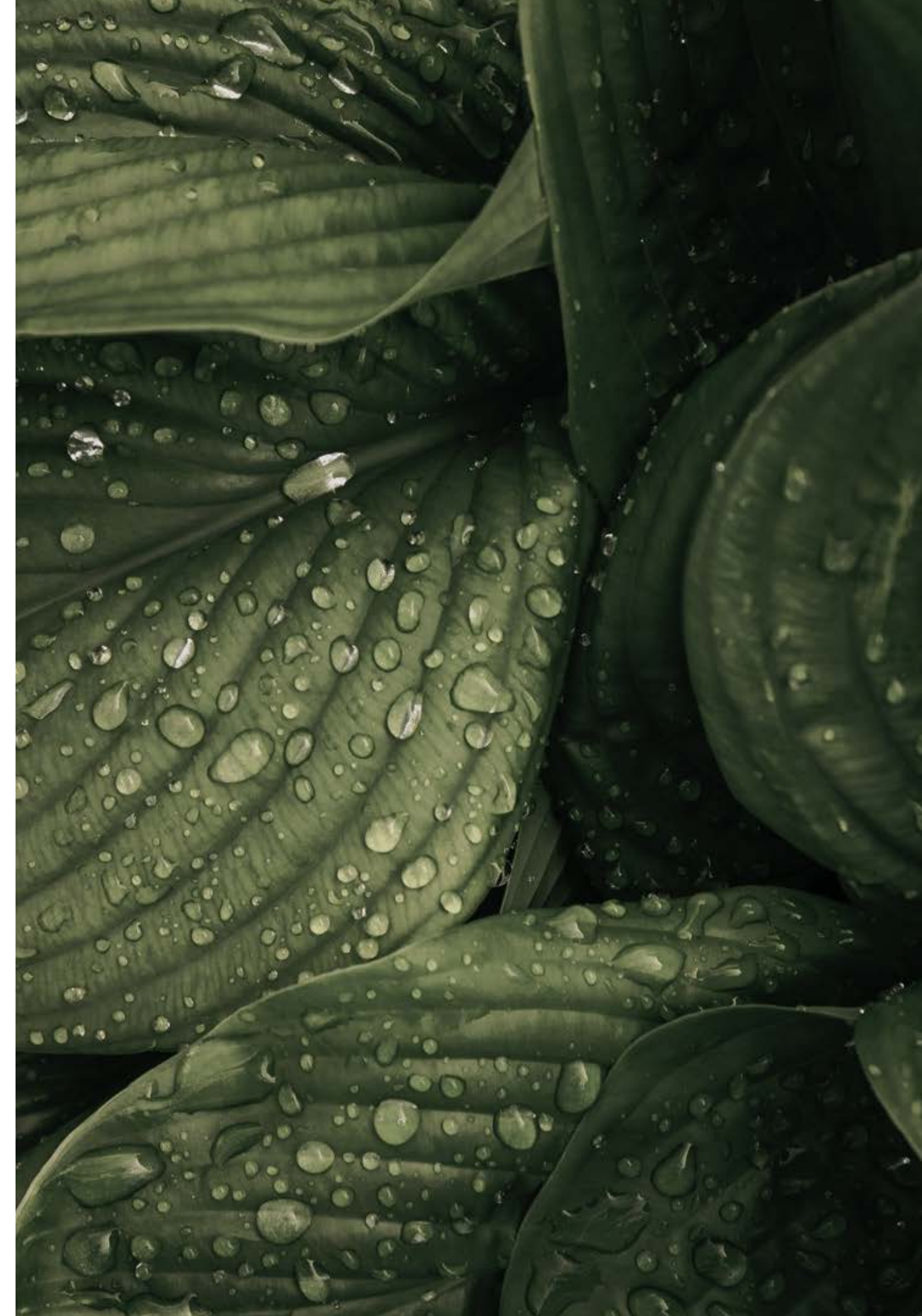
## **Providing CO2 comparisons on estimates**

We are now including CO2 comparisons on estimates in order to make carbon reporting for clients easier, whilst also highlighting the environmental benefits of considering alternative methods of transport, such as sea-freight.



# Donating £50 per tonne of carbon produced to Client Earth

We have actively taken the decision not to offset. Following the example set by The Gallery Climate Coalition, we are continuing to donate to strategic climate funds in order to fund systemic change, as recommended by the London School of Economics and Julie's Bicycle.







## Paperless from day one

Including the launch of digital collection delivery notes for clients and operating a paper-free office.



## Using sustainable packaging

Including switching to biodegradable tape where possible, recycled cardboard and recycled polythene film.

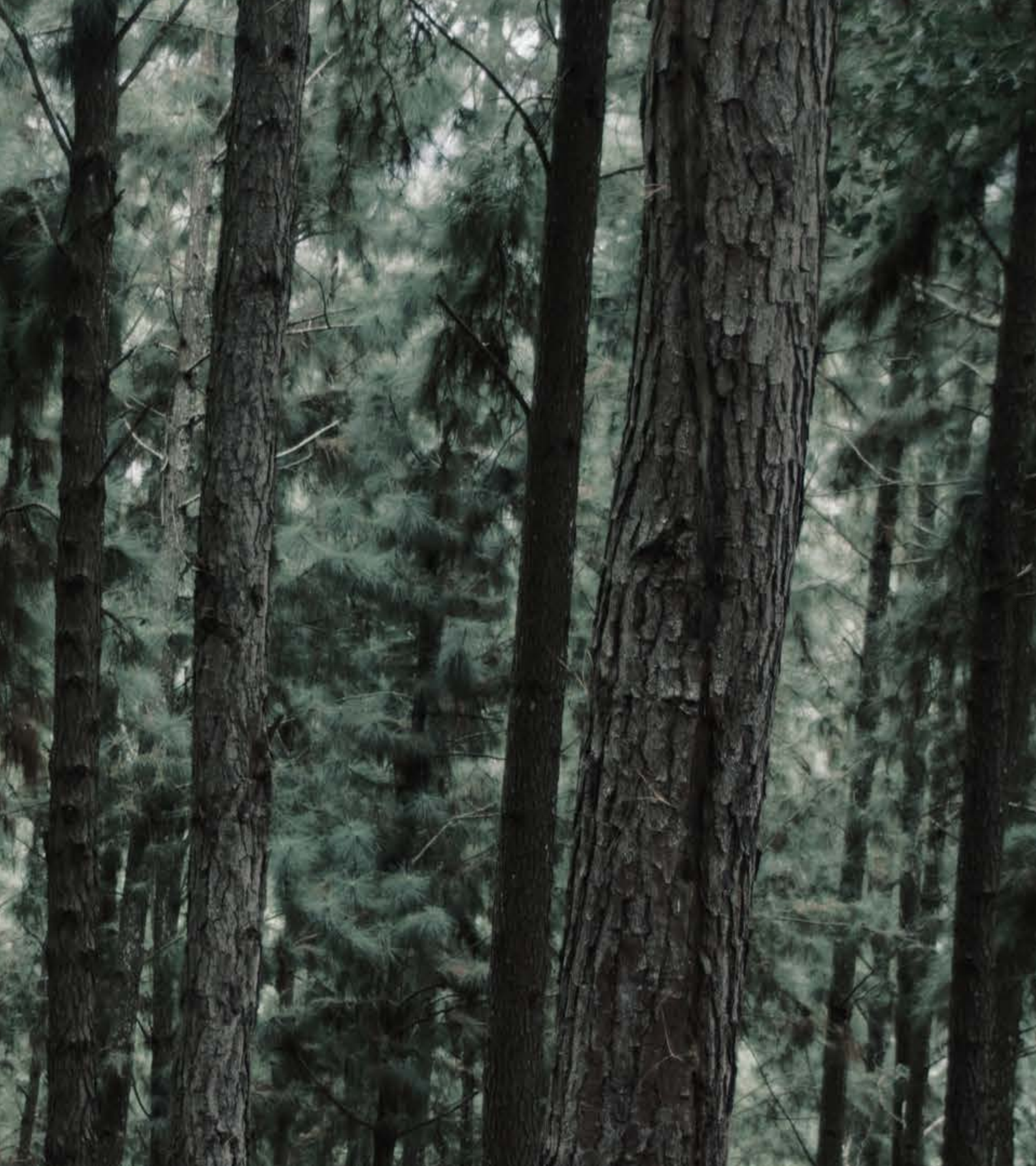


# There is still a long way to go

For this reason, we have made the following commitments in line with the Paris Agreement and as part of our membership to The Gallery Climate Coalition.







# **Reduce our carbon emissions by 50% in the next 8 years in line with Paris Agreement**

The goal of the Paris Agreement is to limit global warming to at least below 2 degrees Celsius and achieve net zero emissions by 2050. We aim to make this possible.





# Move to 100% recyclable packaging by 2025

We are currently in the process of trialing a number of new packaging materials which we hope to switch to this year.



# Move to offer 'low or no' emissions vehicles for last-mile deliveries

Our current use of road transport produces minimal emissions (0.01%) and our road shuttles are one of the most sustainable shipping options, but we are constantly looking for ways to improve even further, including operating an electric fleet.





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