

# INTERIM TARGETS

The Isle of Man has committed to reaching net zero by 2050 but has also set interim emissions reduction targets in law.



**35% by 2030**



**45% by 2035**

Interim targets are measures against the Island's 2018 baseline, for more information on the baseline, [click here](#).

## Why do we have interim targets?

Take a look at the image below, which shows two different routes to net zero by 2050.

The purple route still arrives at net zero on time but with double the emissions of the pink route along the way.

Greenhouse gases build up in the atmosphere, so it's vital that we reduce emissions as quickly as possible.

Interim targets help us to do this - ensuring that we follow a route to net zero more like the one in pink, taking opportunities to reduce emissions as soon as they arrive.

This approach also means that change can happen more gradually, in less disruptive and costly ways and it enables us to monitor and be accountable for progress.

