

# Camborne Climate Emergency Action & Nature Recovery Plan





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## A Message from the Deputy Mayor of Camborne

- ▶ Camborne Town Council declared a Climate Emergency in 2019 and affirmed its commitment to net-zero carbon emissions by 2030.
- ▶ Covid-19 has caused a delay to the implementation of the plan but as restrictions have not eased it is imperative the Town Council reaffirms its commitment to protecting the environment and produces a climate action plan.
- ▶ We have made some moves on this plan a ready via the work of the Amenities Team.





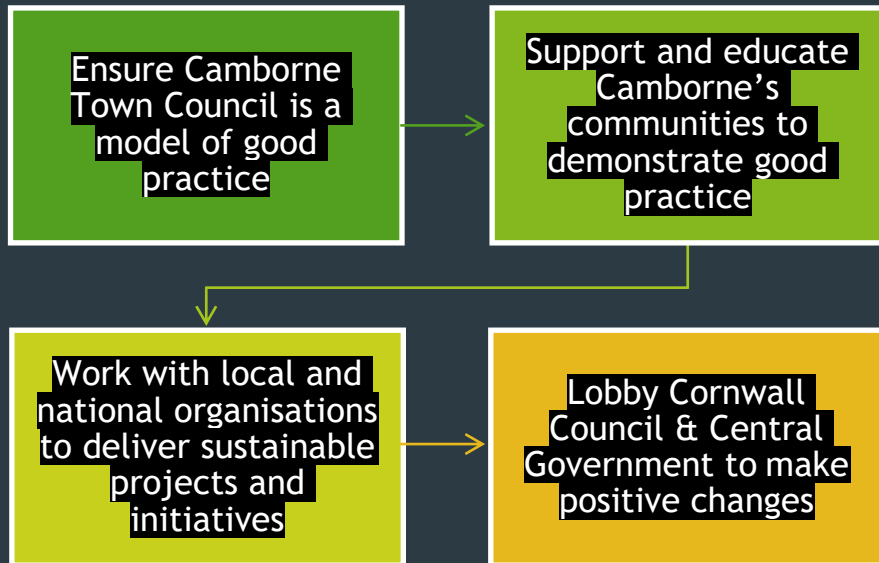
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## What is a Climate Action Plan?

- ▶ A strategic document that details recommendations and pathways to be taken to respond to the global climate crisis.
- ▶ The plan demonstrates a commitment from the Town Council to protect the environment, become more sustainable and assist Cornwall Council to achieve net-zero carbon emissions by 2030.
- ▶ Even though Cornwall Council produced its own climate action plan in July 2019, it is important there is a more specific plan for Camborne.
- ▶ The action plan includes preliminary goals, the evaluation of specific actions, and the feasibility of each project and outcome.
- ▶ This plan is not Camborne's final word on the climate crisis. The action plan acts as a guide and new and innovative sustainability ideas will be added and adapted as time goes on.



# What needs to be done?



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## Short Term Aims (1-2 years)

Action	Complete	Notes
Develop a new organisation specific Environmental Policy		In Progress
Align Town Council EAP objectives with those of Cornwall Council		In progress - ongoing
Use locally sourced food at all Council events	YES	
Develop Plastic Free Charter for events		In Progress
Review waste management and recycling across the organisation		Recycling has begun but tenders will be reviewed.
Councillors to receive meeting paperwork digitally	YES	
Audit and create benchmarks to set future targets against energy consumption and waste		

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Develop a new Council Community Grant Scheme that only funds green initiatives		In progress
Provide Climate Emergency Training for all staff and elected members		In progress
Reduce the amount of paper used	YES	
Review energy providers and ensure green energy tariffs are used	YES	
Affiliate to Earth Protector Town		In progress
Introduce energy saving lightbulbs in all buildings	Yes	
Bid for funding for environmentally friendly projects		In progress

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Action	Complete	Notes
Use eco-friendly cleaning products in all buildings	YES	
Use Fairtrade products where possible	YES	Teas & Coffees are FT
Get involved in sustainability education campaigns such as the Great Big Green Week		In progress
Commit to support Camborne's Fairtrade Town status	YES	
Provide green opportunities for young people	YES	Green Internship
Plant Trees that will enhance Bio-Diversity	YES	Amenities Teams have planted nearly 500 trees during 2021

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## Medium Term Aims (5 years)

Action	Complete	Notes
Develop an Environmental Asset Management Plan to reduce the Council's overall energy demand		
Audit procurement and include a criteria that favours companies with environmental consideration		In progress
Develop a composting and green waste management facility in house		In progress
Reduce mileage of commercial vehicles		In progress
Review working patterns and develop a 4 day a week working arrangements thus reducing carbon use		In progress
Aim to ensure new buildings have renewable energy sources such as solar panels		



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## Long Term Aims (6-10 years)

Action	Complete	Notes
Move towards replacing all vehicles and equipment with most energy efficient models where possible		
Move Amenities unit and compound into Camborne Parish		Ongoing
Increase the amount of public green space we own, manage and protect		

# Supporting and educating Camborne's communities to demonstrate good practice



Develop a Neighbourhood Development Plan in collaboration with Camborne's communities.



Engage and work with local and national environmental organisations and support community education campaigns.



Collaborate with BID Camborne to encourage sustainable change in businesses.



Support local and national sustainability events and environmentally friendly businesses.



Maximise carbon sequestration in the community including rewilding and tree planting projects.

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Reduce food waste, increase the number of available allotments and establish a community orchard.



Support waste and recycling campaigns and the implementation of a repair café for Camborne.



Introduce a Green award in the annual community and commerce awards.



Provide opportunities for young people to be involved in Climate Action projects.



Host an annual Green Fair for Camborne.

If you have an idea for a project but need some support to get it off the ground, apply for funding from our Community Grant





## Work with local & national organisations to deliver projects and initiatives

As a town council, we can't achieve all of our ambitions on our own. We will be working with local and national organisations to achieve change at local level.

These include:

- ▶ Cornwall Council
- ▶ BID Camborne
- ▶ Plastic Free Communities
- ▶ Fairtrade
- ▶ Campaign for the Protection of Rural England
- ▶ University of Exeter
- ▶ National Trust
- ▶ Cornwall Wildlife Trust



## Lobbying Cornwall Council & Central Government

Town Councillors will be lobbying Cornwall Council and Central Government to take action on a range of measures to make positive change.

Here are some of the changes we are lobbying for:

- ▶ More specialised recycling facilities e.g. Tetra Packs
- ▶ Electric car charging points
- ▶ Making public transport affordable
- ▶ More safe cycle routes and walkways
- ▶ Championing the ‘circular economy’ where waste products from one process become raw materials for another
- ▶ Lobby to create wildlife corridors and encourage re-wilding
- ▶ Lobby for a law to prevent concreting over gardens for parking spaces