

Climate Change and Renewables Advisory Group 1.4.19

**‘Climate emergencies, pledges and
targets – setting and planning for
carbon neutrality’**

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Carmarthenshire CC

Notice of Motion: 20 February 2019

1. Declare a Climate Emergency
2. Commit to making Carmarthenshire CC a net zero carbon **local authority** by **2030**
3. Develop a **clear plan** for a route towards being net zero carbon **within 12 months**
4. Call on Welsh and UK Governments to provide the necessary support and resources to enable effective carbon reductions
5. Work with Public Services Board and Swansea Bay City Deal **partners** to develop exciting opportunities to deliver carbon savings
6. Collaborate with experts from the private sector and 3rd sectors to develop innovative solutions to becoming net zero carbon.

Following a vote, it was unanimously resolved that the Notice of Motion be supported.

Durham CC

Full Council agrees to:

- 1. Declare a 'Climate Emergency';*
- 2. Immediately adopt a new Durham CC target of **60% by 2030** making significant progress towards making Durham CC and **County Durham** carbon neutral taking into account both production and consumption emissions;*
- 3. Investigate what further actions are necessary to make County Durham **Carbon Neutral by 2050** and pledge to achieve this;*
- 4. Call on Westminster to provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 and 2050 targets possible;*
- 5. Work with other agencies and bodies (both within the UK and internationally) to determine and implement best practice methods to limit Global Warming to less than 1.5°C;*
- 6. Continue to work with **partners** across the county and region to identify opportunities for innovation, develop clean industries and a green economy and ensuring we have the right infrastructure for our communities to deliver on these new targets through all relevant strategies and plans;*
- 7. Report to Full Council **within six months** with the actions the Council will need to take to achieve the new 2030 target and supply an initial report on what actions would be required to achieve a carbon neutral County Durham by 2050.*

Issues

More of the same?

Re-boot

What is prompting the declarations? Greta Thunberg/
Fridays for Future, Extinction Rebellion, Christian Climate Action, local issues

Council - locality - supply chain

Austerity and priorities

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Practicalities

Words v actions

Managing expectations – officers, cllrs, public, business

Project management – huge change, across all services,

Historical performance

Measuring and monitoring progress

Resources, skills, capacity available

Plans – council, corporate, service

Reputation

Persistence

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Practicalities

Water

Green Energy

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How to change?

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