

## **Climate Change Strategies**

For ease of inclusion in the decision wheel model, the agreed content has been grouped under six headers:

### Procurement

- Through procurement, ensure the local authority supply chain is minimising carbon emissions.
- Ensure council's procurement strategy specified that low carbon lights and appliances are procured.
- Where possible use local suppliers to minimize transport costs and support the local economy.

### Energy saving and waste reduction

- Require and enable energy saving behaviour by all council staff.
- Require the integration of renewable energy such as solar thermal, PV or heat pumps in local authority owned buildings where permitted.
- Cut council's paper wasted by offering papers electronically.
- Minimize waste by recycling, reusing or repairing where possible.
- Ensure fresh water is not wasted.

### Transport

- Deliver a transition of the town council's own fleet to electric.
- Encourage car sharing and the use of alternative forms of public transport.
- Introduce measures to encourage cycling and walking.
- Support and promote schemes that enhance public transport.

### Air and water quality

- Increase planting on town council managed land to improve air quality, biodiversity and help mitigate climate change issues.
- Improve air quality in town council offices and buildings by use of plants that improve it.

- Highlight and campaign for improvements in air and water quality.
- Develop and implement strategies to prevent flooding and consider water capture to reduce water usage.

#### Community engagement and education

- Support small and medium business enterprises to access funds and expertise for reducing carbon pollution.
- Encourage healthy eating awareness.
- Promote public transport opportunities.
- Promote an active lifestyle.
- Promote and support climate friendly initiatives.
- Collaborate with other agencies to deliver these goals.
- Monitor national policies and trends and seek out grants to help fund the above activities.