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Dear Saltash Town Council,

Today our parent company the Go-Ahead Group launches its Climate Change Strategy. This strategy provides us with a clear roadmap for developing our own local climate change strategy that we will publish later this year.

The United Nations body (IPCC) responsible for assessing the science related to climate change warned in 2018 that we had just 11 years to curb emissions and limit temperature rises to 1.5°. As a responsible business, we must play our part in responding to that challenge by reducing our emissions and adapting to the impacts of a changing climate. Public transport is itself part of the solution to climate change – the more journeys made by bus (alongside trains, walking and cycling) the greater our contribution to reducing emissions.

The Go-Ahead Group climate change targets are:

- 75% emissions reduction by 2035
- To become a net zero business by 2045

The Strategy <https://www.go-ahead.com/sustainability/climate-change> sets out how as a group we will contribute to tackling climate change through our science-based target for Decarbonisation, and targets & action plans for Air Quality, Water and Waste - along with an Adaptation plan.

For that reason, it is vital that we work together with you, to develop our local plans and targets to make these much-needed changes that will in turn benefit the communities we serve.

Today marks the first step on that journey. We will update you shortly on what we are planning locally, and we welcome your ideas and suggestions to support our strategy.

Yours sincerely,



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