

Matlock Town Council Climate Change and Ecological Action Plan - update Nov 2020

Motion Passed at Council Meeting 17.06.19	<i>That Matlock Town Council declares a Climate and Ecological Emergency and commit the Council to becoming carbon neutral by 2030. They also wish to encourage and support Matlock in this goal. This will ensure that our Town does its part to keep global warming less than 1.5 degrees.</i>
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Area	Actions	Target Date	Status
Waste Management	Introduce a system of recycling for users and staff at the Imperial Rooms	Dec-19	Complete- Recycling of paper, cardboard, plastic and glass was introduced in June 2019
Land Management	End the use and purchase of peat in all Matlock Town Council operations where possible, including items purchased and used by contractors and sub-contractors and replace it with lower carbon alternatives.	Dec-19	Complete- Peat free motion passed on 16 th September 2019
	Review the management of all Matlock Town Council owned or leased land and planting in the town to ensure it is being managed sustainably and encourages biodiversity.	Jul-21	Work in progress - all planters now contain pollinator friendly, sustainable plants
	Sign up to the Tree Charter to promote the benefits of planting of more trees.	Aug-19	Tree Charter signed in August 2019. Work ongoing to look at how to promote this in the community
Single Use Plastics	Coordinate the setup of the Refill Scheme in Matlock. Act as Local Champion for the Scheme and engage with local businesses to get them	Aug-19	Complete - Scheme set up in June 2019 with over 30 businesses taking part

	and engage with local businesses to get them to sign up.		with over 50 businesses taking part
	Install a water refill point at the toilets in Hall Leys Park children's play area which are run by Matlock Town Council.	Apr-19	Complete - Refill point installed during refurbishment in March 2019
Energy Use	Switch the supply of gas and electricity to the Imperial Rooms to renewable sources	May-21	Supply of 100% renewable electricity - switched Oct 2019. Contract in place to switch to 'green' gas supplier when current contract ends in May 2021
Energy Conservation	Explore energy conservation options for the Imperial Rooms.	Jun-20	Review of current measures complete. Options explored and discussions held with relevant suppliers - quotations sought for works. Successful application submitted to Public Sector Decarbonisation Fund (Low Carbon Skills Fund) for works to improve glazing, insulation and install renewable heat technology in the form of an air source heat pump plus Solar PV - Nov 2020
Energy Generation	Explore sustainable energy generation options for the Imperial Rooms e.g. solar panels	Oct-20	
Vehicles	Review the use of vehicles at Matlock Town Council and explore more sustainable options e.g. electric/hybrid vehicles.	Oct-20	Replacement mild hybrid vehicle delivered Nov 2020. Replacing current diesel vehicle

Council activities, projects and events	Embed “Carbon Budget” concept into all activities, projects and events that the Council engages in, with a view to setting a Carbon Budget by 2021-2022.	Dec-20	Decarbonisation plan which will include ongoing Carbon budgeting to be covered in scope of works undertaken using LCSF grant
	Make Council meetings "paper free" through use of IT.	Jun-20	Councillors all now have tablets on which to receive all Council papers. Meetings are currently virtual and paper free
	Carry out a “green audit” of the Victorian Matlock Christmas Weekend with a view to reducing carbon emissions and environmental impact.	Feb-20	Event cancelled in 2020