

Derbyshire Climate and Carbon Reduction Manifesto May 2019

We pledge to:

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the Council's buildings and operations by 55% by 2022 compared to 2010.
- Work with borough and district councils, utilities and property developers to champion eco-homes fit for the future and to help communities and businesses become less dependent on energy
- Work with Derbyshire businesses and local government partners in China, Japan, India and other countries to reduce carbon emissions in business and tourism activities
- Support renewable energy generation, both large scale and microgeneration, on the Council's land and buildings and in our communities working alongside partners such as D2N2 and the Midlands Energy Hub
- Promote energy efficiency, including reducing energy use in older buildings and through the use of smart technology
- Support low carbon businesses to establish and flourish in Derbyshire, creating new jobs across the county
- Foster green energy entrepreneurs to develop renewable or zero carbon energy production
- Attract companies into Derbyshire who will carry out research and development and upskill the workforce in partnership with universities and training providers
- Use the Council's buying power to support businesses and schools to become more sustainable
- Support and promote the development of low carbon travel and low emission vehicles, introduce electric vehicles into the Council fleet and explore opportunities for low carbon fuels for HGVs
- Develop through our close partnerships with district and borough councils solutions that minimise waste, particularly food waste and single-use plastics, and increase recycling
- Ensure we buy and use goods which are more sustainable and can be reused or recycled and wherever possible waste products are used to benefit the local economy
- Call on the UK Government to ensure the level of investment and national planning regulations support the Council's ambitions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Derbyshire
- Produce further targets and objectives for carbon reduction, within six months, after considering latest recommendations made to the UK Government