

Northam Town Council Climate Emergency Survey

Northam Town Council has declared a Climate Emergency in the recognition that carbon emissions from industry, transport, our homes and other sources will cause a disastrous increase in global temperatures unless drastic action is taken by us all.

Our aim is to reduce to zero the Council's carbon emissions in its buildings and activities by 2030 and to achieve a significant reduction in emissions in Northam parish by the same date. To help us do this we are inviting you in this survey to tell us what actions you are taking in the face of climate change and to give us your suggestions.

Are you male or female? M F Other

How old are you? 0-17 18-29 30-49 50-64 65+

How concerned are you about climate change? Please circle 1 2 3 4 5 (1 Not at all to 5 Very concerned)

What actions would you take at home? (Please circle actions you favour)

- a) Switch to 100% renewable energy tariff for your fuel bills
- b) Use a timer, thermostat & heating controls to set heating & hot water
- c) Install renewable energy generation such as solar panels
- d) Install a smart meter so you know how much energy or water you use
- e) Step up insulation and draught-proof your home
- f) Grow your own fruit and vegetables
- g) Eat local, organic, seasonal produce
- h) Eat more plant-based foods



What are the four top actions you would like us to take on climate? (Please circle actions you favour)

- a) Plant many more trees and hedges
- b) Initiate a community energy scheme to power more local homes e.g. by waste heat
- c) Install electric vehicle charging points e.g. at Northam Hall
- d) Provide bike racks e.g. at Northam Hall, Town Hall and the Council's open spaces
- e) Promote cycle/pedestrian routes
- f) Increase areas for wildlife in the Council's open spaces and on road verges
- g) Develop forest gardens in parks to provide fruit and vegetables
- h) Initiate/encourage local food market
- i) Provide grants to local schools for carbon reduction projects
- j) Start a community composting scheme
- k) Place recycle bins in Council's open spaces and parks
- l) Initiate/encourage local food market



What actions would you take to increase wildlife? (Please circle actions you favour)

- a) Set aside space in your garden or balcony for wildlife
- b) Garden organically using natural pest and weed controls
- c) Keep your garden green e.g. avoid installing decking or artificial grass
- d) Join a wildlife conservation group or organisation
- e) Leave an opening in garden fence as a wildlife corridor
- f) Create a pond and bug hotel



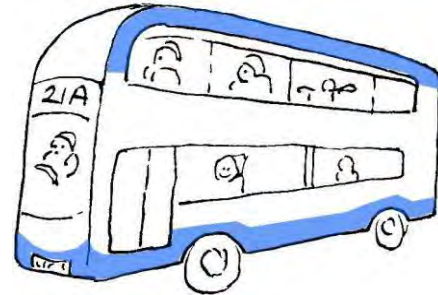


What actions would you take to reduce waste? (Please circle actions you favour)

- a) Reduce your purchases
- b) Buy from charity or reuse shops
- c) Repair, reuse or restyle items such as clothes
- d) Recycle everything possible e.g. food, batteries, textiles
- e) Cut down food waste
- f) Compost leftovers in compost bins

Which of the following would you like to learn more about? (Please ring the actions you favour)

- a) Switching to renewable energy tariff
- b) Insulating your home
- c) Joining a car-share club
- d) Repairing your clothes
- e) Choosing environmentally-friendly products
- f) Finding out your local bus route and times
- g) Cooking healthy, sustainable food on a budget
- h) Cycling safely
- i) Making your garden more wildlife friendly
- j) Growing your own food
- k) Arts & crafts with recycled materials



Do you have any other comments or suggestions for responding to the climate emergency? (please use a separate sheet if necessary)

Thank you for responding. We need to ensure you live in the parish, so please include your details below. They will only be used for the purposes of this survey and in accordance with our Privacy Notice. They will not be used in any other capacity by Northam Town Council or shared with other parties. Permission can be withdrawn at any time by contacting the Council.

Name **Email address**

Home address

Please email your response to townclerk@northamtowncouncil.gov.uk or send by free post to FREE POST NORTHAM TOWN COUNCIL or if completing the survey online via the website www.northamtowncouncil.gov.uk/climate-survey. The closing date for replies is 28th February 2021.

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