Climate Action at Oxfordshire County Council



Oxfordshire County Council acknowledged the climate emergency in 2019.

The Climate Action Framework, published in 2020, commits us to:

- Operating at net-zero by 2030
- Becoming a climate active council
- Supporting maintained schools to take climate action
- Working with our suppliers to green our supply chain
- Enabling a net-zero Oxfordshire way ahead of 2050



We've been reducing our own carbon emissions, on our way to net zero by 2030.







How we're cutting down our own emissions

87 per cent of streetlighting converted to LED

Green electricity for council buildings and maintained schools

 34 electric vehicles (EV) and 46 charge points on council sites

 Virtual meetings prioritised, staff incentive schemes in place to make cycling, public transport and moving to EV easier

 Carbon emissions at eight council buildings and nine maintained schools reduced using grants secured from Public Sector Decarbonisation Fund

 40 maintained schools supported through our Action on Carbon and Energy in Schools (ACES) programme



Next ...

 Continuing to decarbonise our estate with energy efficiency measures planned at eight more council sites this year

 Rationalising and electrifying most of our fleet by 2028

Engaging with our suppliers to green our supply chain

 Continuing to support maintained schools with an invest-to-save loan scheme for low carbon technology





Becoming a climate active council

 Climate impact assessments introduced to ensure climate is at the heart of our decision making

 200 colleagues completed carbon literacy training

 Receiving a bronze Carbon Literacy Organisation Award for the training programme

 Engaging staff from all areas of the council in reducing carbon emissions via our staff led climate action group

Next...

- A carbon accounting framework and toolkit to support decision making
- Rolling out carbon literacy training
- Developing a net zero investment strategy



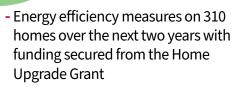
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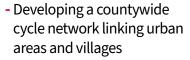
How we're helping Oxfordshire become net-zero and tackling climate change

- Adopting a local connectivity and transport plan with a zero-carbon vision
- Securing £500,000 Active Travel Capability funding to invest in walking and cycling routes across the county
- Installing 240 park and charge EV charging points in council car parks
- Introducing a zero-emission zone in Oxford city centre
- Helping residents recycle, reuse and compost 58.2 per cent of all household waste – top place in England for ninth year in a row
- Improving energy efficiency in 371 homes through Sustainable Warmth Fund
- Supporting 100+ community-led climate action groups, the largest network of its kind in the UK
- Launching a resident facing website 'climate action Oxfordshire'
- Leading the delivery of a cross Oxfordshire net-zero route map and action plan through Future Oxfordshire Partnership (FOP)
- Completing Project LEO (Local Energy Oxfordshire) with our partners successfully providing a blueprint for the energy system of the future
- Planting a tree in every parish in Oxfordshire – 450 in total

- Next...
- Developing an adaptation and climate resilience strategy
- Collaborating with local authority partners to develop an Oxfordshire Local Area Energy Plan
- Continuing to work in partnership to build on the energy insights tool developed as part of Project LEO



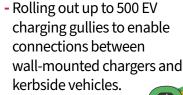




 Increasing Oxfordshire's tree canopy







- Piloting EV car clubs











