



CLIMATE CHANGE STATEMENT OF INTENT

Landulph Parish Council supports Cornwall Council's initiative to declare a joint Climate and Ecological Emergency. The commitment is to become carbon neutral by 2030 and to protect, conserve and grow Cornwall's eco-systems to ensure a fully sustainable low carbon future for Cornwall. To become carbon neutral we need to reduce the amount of carbon dioxide we produce and capture the carbon dioxide we do produce to prevent it entering the atmosphere. Nature can play a major role both in reducing carbon emissions and mitigating the impacts of climate change. In addition, increasing biodiversity will have a significant impact on sustainability of habitats and food production. To achieve these goals, businesses, residents and organisations in Cornwall need to work in partnership with Cornwall Council to tackle carbon emissions and grow eco-systems in the areas illustrated in the diagram below.



Diagram from Cornwall Council's Carbon Neutral Action Plan: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/climate-emergency/our-action-plan/>

The Parish Council will actively support Cornwall Council in its responses to the Climate and Ecological Emergency and will participate in consultations and initiatives.

The Parish Council will work actively to encourage parishioners to embrace the subjects of climate change and nature recovery and will keep themselves abreast of any relevant changes and initiatives that can be implemented within the parish.

PARISH COUNCIL ~ ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Parish Council will work with all stakeholders to ensure that parishioners and their families are aware of all aspects of the climate and ecological emergencies and how they can play their part in reducing carbon emissions, protecting and conserving nature and protecting the community from the impacts of climate change. The Parish Council will aim to use all forms of

communication including working with organisations in the Parish (school, farms, businesses, local societies etc) to reach all elements of the community.

2. Within its remit, the Parish Council, will encourage policies and practices that reduce carbon emissions and encourage nature recovery. This includes their role in planning, transport, river usage and the management of Parish Council land and buildings.
3. The Parish Council will work with all landowners and residents to record, protect and enhance the environment and biodiversity within the parish, particularly trees, hedges, water courses and endangered species.
4. The Parish Council will actively encourage best practices in carbon reduction, particularly in building work, waste minimisation (including reduction in plastic use and food waste), use of green energy, water and energy saving, transport and land use.
5. The Parish Council will actively highlight small changes that parishioners can make to reduce their impact on the environment and contribute to the carbon neutral initiative.

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