

Food waste recycling Draft Local Plan Street lighting

Bracknell Forest Council Climate Change Strategy Update For Climate Change Advisory Panel



Bracknell Forest Council 2020-2024



Climate Change Strategy update

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Agenda

- Background and Context
- BFC Highlights
- Green Homes Grants – Hazel Hill
- Silva - SHDC Wave 2 funding
- Q&A




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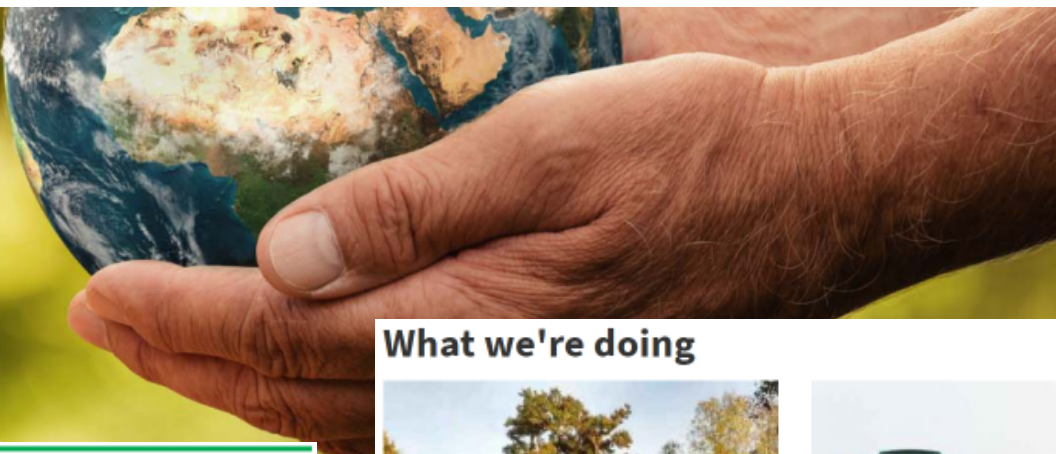
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man-made climate change
on our local communities
by putting in place actions
that work towards meeting

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Climate change



What we're doing

Climate change strategy

We strongly believe that we need to continue our work to address the impact of man-made climate change on our local communities.

We have committed to becoming carbon neutral by 2050.

To deliver this challenging target, the whole council will need to work together as well as with our partners, schools and young people.

[Read more about our climate change strategy](#)

Natural environment

Our climate change history

Addressing man-made climate change isn't a new area for us.

[Explore our climate change history](#)

Energy and waste

Climate change review

The Overview and Scrutiny Commission is leading work on our climate change strategy.

[Find out about the commission's work](#)

Travel and transport

Research

Find data on Bracknell Forest emissions.

[Explore our research](#)



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Bracknell Forest Council: 2020 – 2024

Adopt 4 Strategic Principles for the council's approach to tackling climate change

We will achieve our 2050 objective of being carbon neutral through:

Working with partners.

Preserving the climate beneficial elements of the COVID-19 emergency.

Working with schools and young people.

Preserving the natural environment sustainably in line with the Bracknell Forest strategic plans

Develop a high-level implementation Climate Change Action Plan

action plan to reduce carbon emissions that are under the council's control

action plan to influence and lead community action against climate change



Strategy Development

Bracknell Forest Council: 2020 Action Plan

Develop a high-level implementation Climate Change Action Plan

6.3 kt Co2e = < 2%

action plan to reduce carbon emissions that are under the council's control

The Council's direct activity - including commissioning resources in the most environmental efficient way and, procuring services to achieve this objective. We aim to reducing the impact of what is within our control.

443 kt Co2e = > 98%

action plan to influence and lead community action against climate change

Lobbying and promotion to encourage others to support the objectives in the strategy



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Bracknell Forest Council: 2020/21 Action Plan

The Action plan has a total of 42 projects covering a breadth of council directorates.

- 5 of these projects reflect emissions that BFC has direct control over;
- 18 of these projects reflect emissions that the council can influence within the borough; and
- 19 of these projects are a combination of both of the above

Quarterly reporting via

- Internal Officer board – Chaired by Damian James
- Climate Change Advisory Panel supported by Kevin Gibbs



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Big Green week (18 -26 September)

The Big Green Week is a national initiative to encourage companies, groups and individuals from private and public sectors to showcase what they are doing for the climate change agenda. The council moved the CCAP to be the centrepiece of its contribution to this programme of events. The council also moved its annual recycling Roadshow to the week too. A number of press releases were also targeted to the week; many of the projects are detailed within this report.



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Grant funding

home decarbonisation project on the Green Homes Grants (GHG). The council has now completed the works from GHG bid 1 (£900k grant received). The Energy Sustainability Officer has just started on the plan works under GHG bid 2 (£274k received). We have also made another bid for sustainable warmth (GHG bid 3). The outcome of this bid is expected later in the Autumn.

The Energy Sustainability Officer is also supporting Silva Homes in their bid for £1m under the **Social Housing Decarbonisation fund for 800 properties**, that are EPC rated C or below, to bring these up to a more sustainable energy rating, which is good for the environment but also good for those living in these properties.

Property Services have also been successful in **Salix – GOL - LCSF2 bid**, securing **£154k** of funding for preparing heat decarbonisation plans for all of the Councils property stock including schools not already funded. This is in addition to the **£775k** secured under the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme, which will go to the Schools estate, with **£350k** going to Sandhurst School.

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Greening our Waste Strategy

- Food waste recycling service continued to be very well used by residents and has so far avoided 1.9 million kg of CO2 emissions
- 6-month data shows the recycling rate remains above target at 58%
- The Executive approved the recommendations made by the Environment and Communities Overview and Scrutiny panel to implement food waste recycling into 20% (1800) flats across the borough
- Difficult quarter for contractor vacancies but they have been very resilient

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Public Protection Partnership – air quality

The **anti-idling project**, focused primarily around the schools, has appointed a new member of staff to work on this project. He will be attending the Officer board, to ensure that the board has the most up to date information on this project. The next step will be the procurement of equipment.

Licensing liaison Officers will be attending **taxi ranks** and starting the education around idling and idling enforcement. This programme will then expand to known hot spot areas around the borough. This will be in addition to September's work on coordinating the beginning of school term with these project objectives.

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Bracknell Forest Council: Place, Planning and Regeneration

Parks & Countryside

The team are investigating a **ground source heat pump system for Westmorland park**, as the existing gas system is not working well. The project has progressed to receiving and evaluating quotations.

The **Bracknell Forest Giants** event took place at the Lexicon in August.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee trees planting call, which will be wrapped into this work, with ideas currently being explored.



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Bracknell Forest Council: Place, Planning and Regeneration

Summary from Transport Strategy Manager (Place, Planning and Regeneration):

- **EV charging points** - confirmed that the council has secured **£100k** funding to roll out 32 residential charging points across the borough. These will be low wattage / slow chargers, aimed at overnight charging
- **Active travel initiatives.** Department of Transport funding **£160k** has been provided to look at cycling and walking plans. The service will expand cycling routes to Crowthorne and Sandhurst and has done some promotional videos as well. This will be supported by interactive maps, cycle leg rides, family events, and working with businesses and schools to increase participation.

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Bracknell Forest Council: Chief Executives

- Currently developing a Communication plan for the strategy and strategy outcomes
- 15 Press stories issued between April and August '21
- Recycling, food waste recycling and vegan life style
- “Dame Foodie Dench”- video

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Spring 2021

Residents recycle over 536 tonnes of food waste



Council's plan to be carbon neutral by 2050

Names for new food waste vehicles

Funding awarded for schools climate change decarbonisation project

Climate change strategy approved by council's Executive

Residents recycle 536 tonnes of food waste

Bracknell vegan market in town this Sunday!

The popular Bracknell vegan market returns to The Lexicon this Sunday 30 May.

26/05/21

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Next steps in the roadmap out of lockdown
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