





Climate Change Action Plan Progress Report






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Status	Code	Title	Description	Next O&S Review Date	Note	Date of Updates to Notes
	1	Leadership and Influence	RDC will take a leadership role to promote the reduction of carbon emissions in Ryedale. Actions and progress below	23-Apr-2020	RDC declared a Climate Emergency on 10.10.19 (minute 51a refers) and made a commitment to actions to help achieve net zero emissions across Ryedale by 2050. link to minutes .	29-Oct-2019
	1a	Update, revise and deliver the 2010 Climate Change Action Plan.	The Climate Change Action Plan is refreshed and progress updates presented to Scrutiny Committee Bi annually for progress review.	23-Apr-2020	2010 Actions now incorporated into current Climate Change Plan.	15-Jan-2020
					Next update to Scrutiny 3.10.19	10-Sep-2019
					Climate Change Action Plan now refreshed due to Scrutiny recommendations. Updated and presented to Scrutiny Bi annually for progress review.	25-Sep-2019
	1b	Include a specific priority concerning Climate Change reduction aspirations in the Council Plan and Priorities at the next available opportunity.		23-Apr-2020	Members have identified Climate Change and Environment as one of the key priorities in the development of the new Council Plan. A budget of £50K has been put forward in the 2020/21 budget to fund small scale implementation and feasibility funds for larger scale capital projects.	15-Jan-2020
					Members are in the process of developing the new Council Plan	10-Sep-2019
					Council Plan currently being revised by CEO	17-Jul-2019
	1c	Include 'Impact on Climate Change' in all reports presented to all committees of the Council.	Reports template is amended to include 'Climate Change Implications' on all reports.	23-Apr-2020	Climate Change Impact Assessment template piloted for Flood Alleviation Scheme report to Council 5.9.19	25-Sep-2019
					Reports template amended at 'implications' section and all managers emailed to inform of required consideration in all reports at all committees.	25-Apr-2019
	1d	Encourage all Members to read and complete the LGA Workbook - "A Councillor's workbook on acting on Climate Change".		23-Apr-2020	Member training session planned for April 2020.	15-Jan-2020
					Democratic Services Manager is aware of the requirement and has programmed in the action to the Members Induction for June 2019. It will also be included in the Member Briefing 'how to be a good ward councillor'.	25-Apr-2019





▶	1e	Include a Member briefing on Climate Change as part of next cycle of Member training.		23-Apr-2020	Preparation of an 'electronic' briefing is underway. This will be available remotely to enable Members to access at their convenience. Planned completion by March 2020.	15-Jan-2020
					Democratic Services Manager has programmed in the briefing in the Members Induction Programme for the first year of the new Council.	25-Apr-2019
▶	1f	Continue to develop Council policy to influence others by working with partners in the public, private and voluntary sectors and with residents to influence and encourage climate change reduction and adaptation policy and practice throughout Ryedale	Partners include local authorities, utility providers, local businesses, communities and residents.	23-Apr-2020		
					Continued networking with the wider Ryedale community to share knowledge and information. Particular groups include Circular Malton and promotion of the Rural Renewable Energy Fund. RDC Community Grants available to support small scale environmental projects.	15-Jan-2020
					'Cut My Carbon' public information event held on 2.11.19. Partnership event with Community First Yorkshire, Howardian Hills AONB and Ryedale Environment Group. 'Stallholders' from a wide range of voluntary and public sectors and private businesses showcasing electric vehicles, bikes and renewable energy technologies.	04-Nov-2019
					Workshop on Anaerobic Digestion - creation of biogas from organic waste products - attended. Potential to utilise this technology around Ryedale due to agricultural sector, food manufacture and RDC garden waste collection service. Key aspect of Circular Malton action plan.	29-Oct-2019
					Local Enterprise Partnership developed 'Leading in a Climate Change Emergency' workshop with participation from across the LEP area. Communication channels opened and action planning underway.	29-Oct-2019
					Links between NYCC and Districts are developing as part of NYCC motion to commit to carbon reduction measures. Meeting of all authorities to discuss collaborative actions planned for Sept 2019	10-Sep-2019
					Public event planned for November 2nd in Malton to showcase carbon reduction opportunities and projects across Ryedale, in partnership with AONB and CFY	25-Sep-2019
▶	1g	Facilitate the Ryedale Environment Forum to encourage wider participation of the Ryedale community in the aspirations to reduce Climate Change amongst other issues.	Ryedale Environment Forum is a community based group bringing together town or locality based environmental action groups across Ryedale.	23-Apr-2020	R.E.F speakers confirmed for 2.11.19. Rural Community Energy Fund and Circular Malton.	29-Oct-2019
					R.E.F will be key partner in 'carbon reduction showcase' event planned for 2.11.19 with RDC, AONB and CFY.	10-Sep-2019







	2	Operations: Assets and Estates.	RDC will take opportunities to reduce carbon emissions through energy efficiency and use of alternatives to fossil fuels in relation to management of its Estate and Assets.	23-Apr-2020	Updates and progress contained within sub headings	10-Sep-2019
	2a	RDC HQ	a) RDC HQ (Ryedale House refurbishment or alternative location) and Operations Depot – to consider and implement renewable energy purchasing, energy efficiency in building management, water use efficiency, use of solar panels.	23-Apr-2020	An initial meeting with Northern Powergrid has been held regarding 'local energy markets'. This will be followed up with information gathering to ascertain opportunities for RDC to generate or support communities to generate renewable energy for local consumption.	02-Mar-2020
					Corporate Working Group has considered a number of initiatives around Ryedale House. Improving collection of electrical waste, reducing printing levels, installation of EV charging points, improvements for cycling or walking to RH, reduction in Single Use Plastics, equipment required for video conferencing. Smaller scale initiatives in advance of decision on longer term public service hub development.	15-Jan-2020
					RDC Electricity Supply now on a renewable energy tariff with NPower.	25-Apr-2019
	2b	Streetlights	a) Streetlights - Implement a programme of LED replacement and part night lighting for RDC owned streetlights, utilising the NYCC criteria for such.	23-Apr-2020	Procurement process underway. Identification of recycling initiative for obsolete assets and identification of part night lighting areas has lengthened this process, but procurement due for completion by March 2020.	15-Jan-2020
					Part Night Lighting and upgrade to LED for Malton and Norton footway lighting assets is now in procurement stage.	10-Sep-2019
					NYCC Streetlighting Manager has conducted a survey of Malton and Norton Streetlights to indicate necessary improvements to bring them up to 'acceptable' and 'adoptable' standards. This includes replacement LED bulbs. Part Night Lighting policy was adopted by Council on 11.4.19 as part of the Climate Change recommendations.	25-Sep-2019
	2c	Financial Assets	a) Financial Assets - Promote divestment from fossil fuels through Treasury Management and North Yorkshire Pension Fund, where it can be demonstrated this does not have a detrimental impact on return on investment.	23-Apr-2020	Environmental metric data for investment was considered by Members in the Annual Investment Strategy 2020-21. Paragraph 6.5.18 refers.	25-Feb-2020
					Issues to be highlighted at October 24th Treasury Management Report to Scrutiny.	24-Sep-2019



	2d	RDC Owned Land and Buildings	To consider and implement climate change implications and renewable energy purchasing, energy efficiency in building management, water use efficiency, use of solar panels on all RDC managed land and buildings.	23-Apr-2020	The Grass Cutting Procurement specification placed value on biodiversity impact.	25-Feb-2020
	3	RDC Service Delivery	RDC will take opportunities to reduce carbon emissions through energy efficiency and use of alternatives to fossil fuels in relation to its service delivery.	23-Apr-2020	Updates and progress are indicated in the sub actions	10-Sep-2019
	3a	Develop and implement a policy to reduce Officer and Member mileage.		23-Apr-2020	Energy Saving Trust undertaking research into RDC 'grey fleet' - officer and member mileage. Due to report recommendations on carbon reduction opportunities in February 2020. Use of NYCC video conferencing suite at Ryedale House approved to enable remote access to NYCC HQ meetings. Survey of people working at Ryedale House and Streetscene depot due February 2020 to identify barriers to low carbon travel to work. Installation of EV charging points at RH and depot also being considered.	15-Jan-2020
					'Modern Council' approach being adopted to review the use of communication technology throughout the Council. Video conferencing trialled using facetime and skype.	10-Sep-2019
	3b	Undertake a feasibility study into the use of Electric Vehicle Pool cars	To decarbonise service delivery by utilising electric vehicles for unavoidable Officer travel	23-Apr-2020	EST feedback report and recommendations report now due February 2020.	15-Jan-2020
					The Energy Saving Trust are undertaking a review of RDC 'grey fleet' to ascertain options for decarbonising Officer travel. This may include electric vehicles, but also more efficient petrol vehicles if appropriate. Example from Harrogate BC EV Pool Car utilised. Outcome December 2019.	29-Oct-2019
					Gathering information at a 'green fleet' event September 2019	10-Sep-2019
	3c	Planning	3 Sub Actions to ensure the Planning Policies support Climate Change aspirations. Preliminary work on these documents will commence in 2019. The Local Plan Working Party has been established to oversee this process.	23-Apr-2020		

	3c i	Revise the Infrastructure Delivery Statement to support low carbon initiatives at the next opportunity such as EV Charging Points and renewable energy projects.		23-Apr-2020	Work has commenced on the review of the Local Plan. The Sites Document adopted in 2019 does require EV charging points on all allocated sites. Note CIL '123 Listing' is now termed Infrastructure Delivery Statement.	04-Nov-2019
	3c ii	Review renewable energy infrastructure policies in the Ryedale Plan revision		23-Apr-2020	The Local Plan Working Party has met to commence the review of the Local Plan. Renewable Energy and Build Targets are key areas for review in the revised plan.	04-Nov-2019
	3c iii	Promotion and implementation of Ryedale Plan sustainability policies in all new development opportunities	Evidence the promotion and implementation of Ryedale Plan sustainability policies in all new development opportunities including sustainable buildings, wind turbines, solar panels, EV infrastructure, heat pumps, water harvesting and minimisation, sustainable drainage systems (SuDS) and battery storage.	23-Apr-2020	A review of the policy in the Local Plan, is required to ensure that a greater proportion of development is required to contribute to the sustainability and local carbon agendas and aspirations.	04-Nov-2019
	3d	Foster the use of alternatives to fossil fuels for travel through promotion of public transport, walking and cycling.	See actions below for progress	23-Apr-2020	RDC successful ERDF bid to create a Malton to Pickering cycle route now underway to implementation.	10-Sep-2019
	3d i	Malton to Pickering Cycle Route	Creation of a Malton to Pickering Cycleway to join the National Cycle Network, linking employment and visitor economy sites	23-Apr-2020	Design process underway. Due to start on site Summer 2020.	15-Jan-2020
					£628K RDPE funding awarded to deliver this project. Specification being finally developed prior to procurement.	24-Sep-2019
	3d ii	EV Charging Points around Ryedale	To develop a network of EV Charging point around Ryedale to promote the use of Electric Vehicles	20-Apr-2020	Feasibility of installation of public charging points in RDC car parks throughout Ryedale and at Ryedale House and Streetscene depot for staff, underway. (Utilising OLEV workplace funding.) Due to report back March 2020. EV points in Malton and Norton now recorded 750 charges saving 9500kg Co2.	15-Jan-2020
					2 Rapid Charge EV Charging points installed in Norton and 2 in Malton, in March 2019. Currently over 400 charges recorded, saving over 4800kg Co2. RDC committed to working with partners to develop an ERDF bid for a network of EV Charging points around Ryedale.	24-Sep-2019
	3d iii	Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan for Malton and Norton	Working with NYCC and consultants to produce a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)	23-Apr-2020	Local stakeholder event held on 5.7.19. Phase 1 nearing completion. Phase 2 will consider route selection, option development, cost estimates and economic appraisals.)	04-Nov-2019

			including developing cycling and walking network plans and prioritised schemes for delivery.			
	3e	Support the development of a low carbon economy	Support the development of a low carbon economy – work with the LEP to support the provision of a pathway towards a low carbon economy in the review of Ryedale’s Economic Strategy, including provision of advice for local businesses on opportunities to improve environmental performance.	23-Apr-2020	RDC is preparing a new Economic Development Strategy for the period 2020-25. It is anticipated that low carbon activities will feature heavily in the plan and complement the LEP Local Industrial Priorities which include low carbon circular economy development. Anticipated to P&R Feb 2020.	15-Jan-2020
					Engagement with the Energy Saving Trust to identify options to decarbonise the transport infrastructure further in Ryedale, including consideration of EV Charging Strategy. Planned December 2019.	29-Oct-2019
					RDC Sponsorship of the 'Green Business Award' in the Ryedale Business Awards 2019.	29-Oct-2019
					Collaboration with LEP Low Carbon Economy work, including 'circular economy' projects specific to Malton, in partnership with community. Ryedale Community Transport feasibility study into potential EV service Malton / Norton Town bus service underway.	10-Sep-2019
	3f	Knowledge Sharing	Share information, knowledge and project implementation arising from this review with partners in public, private and voluntary sectors on specific climate change reduction knowledge. For example 'Single Use Plastic' alternatives, recycled / FSC paper use, public education campaigns (E.g. reduce, reuse, recycle).	23-Apr-2020	Presentation to Scarborough Borough Council Scrutiny Committee, Climate Change Scrutiny Review was made to support information sharing. Colleagues from other local authorities, public transport and farming industry also presented.	25-Feb-2020
					Hovingham Market was successful in the Ryedale Business Awards, Green Business category (sponsored by RDC). The community enterprise demonstrated their continued commitment to sustainable actions and sharing their learning with other partners.	25-Feb-2020
					Leading in a Climate Change Emergency; LEP collaborative event 25.9.19 with public sector bodies from across the sub region. Action based outcome including development of knowledge sharing platform.	15-Jan-2020
					NYCC carbon reduction resolution has prompted a partnership approach to be adopted by all County, District and National Parks across the sub region. Initial meeting planned for September to discuss collaborative working.	10-Sep-2019
					Carbon reduction showcase in planning with Ryedale Environment Forum for 2.11.19 to share best practice with Ryedale residents.	
					The Scrutiny Review was supported by a number of Partners, including City of York, East Riding of Yorkshire Council and the Local Enterprise Partnership. Positive discussions were held	25-Apr-2019

					regarding taking forward a Partnership approach.	
	3g	Develop the RDC approach to Waste Management in response to climate change and the DEFRA Resources and Waste Strategy.	The Strategy sets out how Government will preserve the stock of material resources through minimising waste, promoting resource efficiency and moving towards a circular economy. It includes consultation and new legislation and targets over the implementation period to 2050, on sustainable production, consumer choice, waste management and crime, food waste, leadership, research and monitoring.	23-Apr-2020	New post of Waste and Recycling Officer approved. Residual Waste Survey commissioned to identify materials that are commonly placed in black waste bins rather than recycled. Completion date anticipated March 2020. This will lead to focus for recycling campaign, budget for this already secured. Actions to date include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening of the new Waste Transfer Station at Kirby Misperton (improving route optimisation) • Approval to refurbish the mini recycling centres across Ryedale - project in development • Approval of an awareness campaign to improve consumer knowledge of recycling options kerbside and bring centres - project in development • Engagement with the Energy Saving Trust to undertake a carbon reduction review of the fleet - outcome anticipated by December 2019 	15-Jan-2020 29-Oct-2019
	3h	Service Delivery Plans	Service Delivery Plans should contain reference to actions and activities specifically to contribute to climate change reduction. Training for Officers should be provided in this respect.	23-Apr-2020	Draft Service Plans are in development, but are subject to Council Plan priorities being developed by Members.	10-Sep-2019
	3h(i)	Housing Services		23-Apr-2020	The fuel poverty programme has resulted in 64 installations and upgrades in homes around Ryedale, to improve energy efficiency since January 2017. This has resulted in an estimated carbon saving of 28,200kg CO2.	21-Jan-2020
	3i	Procurement and Commissioning	Influence suppliers and build into new service specifications the requirement to contribute to Climate Change reduction.	23-Apr-2020	Bid for 'Business Rates Pool Low Carbon Fund', for public sector procurement project was successful in January 2020. (Lead by Ryedale District Council as an outcome of the LEP low carbon event.). This will work across the region to build in climate change and low carbon aspirations into public sector procurement strategies and delivery. Anticipated completion: Autumn 2020. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Sector as Market Makers: developing the understanding of how and where the different powers can be used to stimulate the market to deliver against the climate emergency ambitions. This piece of work is likely to include a review of existing procurement strategies and how these can be refreshed to 	15-Jan-2020

					include the climate change agenda and the development of evaluation methodologies that build carbon reduction into procurement processes.	
					Carbon reduction is key priority for regional Procurement Group from Y&H Chief Execs. This will be developed in the Ryedale Procurement Strategy, currently in development.	25-Sep-2019
	3j	Community Based Schemes	Encourage and promote community based schemes which contribute to reduction in Climate Change through the Council's grants and capital programme budgets.	23-Apr-2020	<p>Circular Malton group is working with York University and other partners to develop a 'waste to energy' circular economy project utilising anaerobic digester technology. A detailed feasibility study is planned to test local feedstocks from industry waste products. RDC supporting with funding application for study into potential locations in terms of proximity to both feedstock supply and energy and heat use.</p> <p>EV Bus feasibility study due for feedback report March 2020.</p> <p>EV Charging point at Hovingham and EV Bus feasibility study given support by RDC. Working with community based groups to develop small scale schemes and projects in response to climate change.</p> <p>An application for an EV charging point in Hovingham will be presented to the Grants Working Party on 15.7.19 and a request for funding a feasibility study into an EV public transport service for Malton and Norton has also been received from Ryedale Community Transport.</p>	<p>15-Jan-2020</p> <p>10-Sep-2019</p> <p>21-May-2019</p>
	4	Monitoring and Review	RDC will closely monitor and review progress towards implementation of recommendations	23-Apr-2020	Progress and actions are indicated in the sub actions	10-Sep-2019
	4a	Allocate responsibility for implementation of the Climate Change Action Plan	3 Sub Actions to ensure that there is appropriate ownership of the plan.	23-Apr-2020		
	4a i	Appoint a Member Champion for Climate Change		23-Apr-2020	Cllr Mike Potter was appointed as Waste Management and Climate Change Champion	21-May-2019
	4a ii	Assign an appropriate senior Officer of the Council to lead on Climate Change and support the Member Champion		23-Apr-2020		
	4a iii	Establish a Corporate Climate Change Group to drive and monitor delivery	Scrutiny Review Finding 4: Many RDC Services do currently deliver climate change reduction activities	23-Apr-2020	Two meetings of CWG to date. Discussing a range of ideas for Ryedale District Council to implement, including video conferencing, EV Charging Point, Single Use Plastics, performance	15-Jan-2020

			and these should be commended, continued and performance monitored, for their contribution.		monitoring and printing. Reporting to SMB Jan 2020	
					Corporate Working Group established, with representatives from all Service Units. Due to meet September 2019	10-Sep-2019
					Staff Briefing 18.7.19 will encourage volunteers to join the working group and ensure climate change champions across the Council.	17-Jul-2019
	4b	Develop and update a series of performance indicators to evidence progress on the Pentana Performance Management System.		23-Apr-2020	The new Corporate Governance service unit will create the resource to collect and develop performance information to set and monitor targets based around carbon emissions. The preference would be for all local authorities to develop a common dataset to enable comparison and collaboration.	14-Jan-2020
					Corporate Working Group reviewing existing performance measures and researching other local authority performance statistics.	10-Sep-2019
					Corporate Working Group will develop performance indicators	17-Jul-2019
	4c	Report performance bi annually on the implementation of recommendations to Scrutiny and to Policy and Resources Committees		23-Apr-2020	14.11.19 Policy and Resources report, minute 77 refers. link to minutes	14-Jan-2020
					3.10.19 Scrutiny Report, minute 39 refers. Requested LGA to call upon Government to standardise electric vehicle charging points. Link to minutes.	29-Oct-2019
					First report due to 3.10.19 Scrutiny	10-Sep-2019
					Requested this to go on Scrutiny Forward Plan	25-Apr-2019