

Measures Identified to help reduce carbon emissions

CARBON FOOTPRINT AUDIT

REGULAR AIR MONITORING

A request has gone to Craven DC environmental health department to review and assess the quality of air quality in Settle. Reference 20-00221.

Continue to monitor and work with CDC officer on regular air monitoring.

CARBON REDUCTION MEASURES

a) Transport

Attend online courses

Use a hybrid approach using virtual & site meetings to conduct Council business

Walk or use bicycles when conducting local TC business

Use public transport or share transport if no alternative

b) Water Fountain

Contact NCBPT / NCHT for advice & assistance

Obtain 3 quotes to accompany the grant bid

c) Electric Car & Bike Charging Points

Support CDC on implementation of electric car chargers in Ashfield car park.

Continue to investigate other charging options in Settle

Investigate potential for chargers for electric bikes

Promotion of information regarding electric car ownership

d) Contractors

In the future include a clause to any tender documents to ensure the Council engage with climate friendly contractors

Ask contractors to supply a copy, where possible of their company environmental policy

Review our procurement practices to ensure a more sustainable service that supports the Town Council's policy.

e) Neighbourhood Development Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have agreed a chapter within the Plan on Climate Change. The draft structure for the Plan has been discussed

f) Street Lighting

Council resolved at the Market and Services Committee meeting 25th January 2021 to investigate an interest free loan from Salix Finance Ltd.

The reviewed inventory to be sent to United Utilities to reduce the cost of the unmetered supply.

To check the Council are on a green tariff with our current supplier and on renewal ensure the electricity provided is from 100% renewables.

g) Office & Communication Practices

Increase implementation of electronic communication and processes to reduce paper and ink and postal usage. Encourage use of electronic payment

BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT OF GREEN SPACES

To implement the use of Greener Products

Alternative methods of weeding and pest control & reduce grass cutting

Identify areas for planting trees, hedges & pollinating flowers on Council owned or managed land

Discourage use of pesticides / herbicides on allotments

SOCIAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATION

Encourage all members of our community to strive towards meeting the 10 Climate Ideas

Creation of new page on Council's website

Launch of Settle's Carbon roadmap, by Leeds University, at ACE's Green Cafe meeting 13th November at Victoria Hall