



Cyngof Tref Y Trallwng Welshpool Town Council

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CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION LIST

monitoring report – June 2019

No	Activity	Current status	Actions	Current rating
1	Youth lead To involve the youth and take their advice on the activities proposed to help with restricting global warming.	A Youth Council is in place at the High School and Youth Club.	Discussions with the Youth Councils to be held seeking their ideas.	A meeting with the Youth Council has been arranged.
2	Change a light Replacing one regular light bulb with a compact fluorescent light bulb will save 150 pounds of carbon dioxide a year. Use low energy bulbs and light tubes.	Most light bulbs are low energy or LED.	A light bulb audit to be completed and any bulbs needing to be replaced changed.	A light review is taking place, a number of bulbs can now be changed to LED with others kept as spares to keep the current low energy service in place.
3	Drive less Walk, bike, car-pool or take mass transit more often. You'll save one pound of carbon dioxide for every mile you don't drive! Use vehicles less.	Most long distance journeys on Council business are by trains.	Monitor longer journeys for business and report car and rail travel. Avoid any local unnecessary journeys.	This is has been the practice for some time and will continue.
4	Vehicles Keeping your tires inflated properly can improve your gas mileage. Ensure vehicles regularly serviced.	Vehicles are checked regularly and serviced regularly.	Vehicle tyre checks to be included on report sheets. Try to purchase more environmentally vehicles.	The tyre checks are now on the weekly checklist. To be implemented when possible.
5	Recycle more You can save 2,400 pounds of carbon dioxide per year by recycling just half of your household waste.	The Council recycles at the Town Hall and Recreation Grounds.	Review first reducing rubbish and also review recycling practises to ensure all is being done that can be.	A review of what we can recycle is taking place to see what improvements are possible.



6	Drinks cups Use bio-degradable cups for Council and Buildings use	Recyclable or reusable cups are in use.	Review if they are the best type of cups to use.	The Council is now using recyclable cups.
7	Water in a bottle Provide a drinking water station to help encourage people using re-usable bottles.	Already provided at the Tourist Information Centre	Consider providing more station points in Town.	An extra point is planned for the Town Hall to go with the one at the TIC.
8	Use less hot water It takes a lot of energy to heat water. Use less hot water by taking shorter and cooler showers and washing your clothes in cold or warm instead of hot water (more than 500 pounds of carbon dioxide saved per year).	Hot water temperatures are set at a lower level but have to meet regulations on health. Day Centre has higher temperatures for safety.	Audit of hot water temperature to be complete and revised as needed.	The boiler hot water systems have their thermostats lowered by 1 degree.
9	Water conservation Save water when possible. Reductions in power used to pump water.	No specifications are taken at this time other than water misers in the public toilets.	Deal with leaks asap. Investigate waterless urinals in public toilets. Push taps in public toilets.	A system of saving water is being investigated with a plan being presented to the Council Services Committee.
10	Insulation Ensure all buildings are as well insulated as possible.	Buildings are insulated where practical. The Town Hall is the most difficult building.	All buildings that can be insulated have been. Consider secondary or double glazing in any houses. Consider insulation strips around external doors.	The insulation in all buildings is good. All the properties have double glazing except for one house in Bron Y Buckley. This is being done where it is possible.
11	Avoid products with a lot of packaging You can save 1,200 pounds of carbon dioxide if you reduce your garbage by 10 percent.	No specific attention has been given to this subject.	Review how the Council might be able to reduce packaging. Consider giving packaging back to delivery driver.	Being reviewed, not an easy one. Companies will not do this. Will try and progress in the future.



12	<p>Adjust your thermostat Moving your thermostat down just 2 degrees in winter and up 2 degrees in summer could save about 2,000 pounds of carbon dioxide a year.</p>	Thermostats are set at lower levels where possible.	Review all thermostats to ensure the best energy saving programmes are in place.	The thermostats are being lowered where possible.
13	<p>Plant a tree A single tree will absorb one ton of carbon dioxide over its lifetime.</p>	A good number of trees have been planted at the top of Red Bank.	<p>Many trees have been planted.</p> <p>Arrange to plant 6 trees per annum.</p> <p>Consider where trees may be planted on Council land and set a programme.</p>	<p>A plan has been issued to David Senior to assess tree planning possibilities.</p> <p>The Council has registered into the 'bug scheme' and has identified areas of land where wild flowers can be planted without affecting other services.</p>
14	<p>Turn off electronic devices Simply turning off your television, DVD player, stereo, and computer, when you're not using them, will save you thousands of pounds of carbon dioxide a year.</p>	This this is done but could but improvements in this area could be made.	<p>Introduce a policy at end of the business day to turn all equipment off including lights.</p> <p>Smart meters to be fitted where possible.</p>	<p>To be implemented.</p> <p>Investigations show that smart meters would not help the Council buildings.</p>
15	<p>Solar panels Consider fitting solar panels where practical on council buildings.</p>	No action has been taken on solar panels mainly due to cost.	Investigate how practical it would be to install solar panels on Council buildings and report.	Investigations not yet started.
16	<p>Efficient equipment When equipment is renewed to replace with energy efficient products.</p>	This is current policy on replacement equipment.	This action is already in place.	This policy is already in place.



17	Renewable Energy Support renewable energy schemes.	The Council recently supported the provision of solar panels in the LDP at Buttington. The Council has invested in renewable energy bonds.	Continue with current policies.	Policy being implemented.
20	Publicity Make the public aware of the Council's actions and consider how to promote the global warming issues.	No actions have been taken on this subject.	Prepare and implement a publicity policy.	To be prepared.
21	Review Review progress every 3 months with a chart showing progress towards completing actions.	All Council plans are reviewed annually.	Review progress every 3 months with the relevant committee and to Full Council.	In place.
22	Accreditation To gain an appropriate accreditation over the first 12 months.	Consideration to be given as to the best way forward.	Review progress every 3 months	To be assessed in due course.

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