

Feedback on Gloucestershire County Council's Climate Action Plan 2022

We consulted over 5 sessions with GYCG's Core Panel

We reached out to 102 young people through 5 summer events, workshops and activities on GCC's Climate Action Plan

Here's what those 102 young people said...

1. Decision Making -

All decisions made at the council will fully consider climate impact. We are supporting organisation wide initiatives that accelerate climate action including Climate Leadership Gloucestershire, Gloucestershire's Youth Climate Group, air quality improvement projects, stress testing of assets and carbon reporting in our contracts.

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Community

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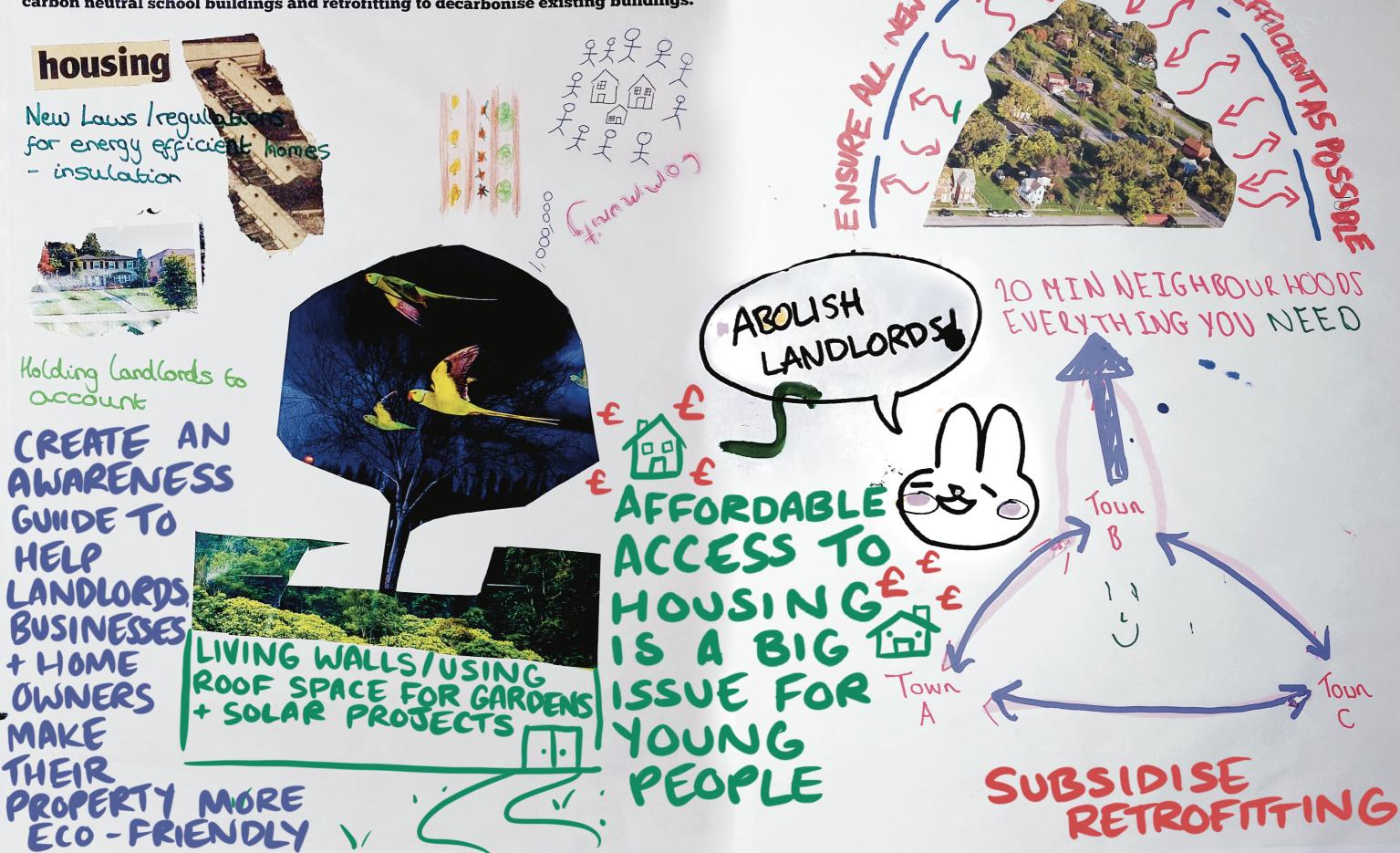
CONNECT WITH SCHOOLS



RESPONSIBLE PRIVATE BUSINESS

2. Buildings -

Projects will reduce the impact of emissions from new and existing buildings. We are creating new guidance around 'Building with Nature' standards, investing in new carbon neutral school buildings and retrofitting to decarbonise existing buildings.



3. Transport -

Work to reduce the impact of emissions from transport in the county.

We are installing 1,000 electric vehicle charge points, carrying out West Cheltenham & Arle Court cycleway and pavement improvements, connecting Gloucester to Cheltenham with a new dedicated cycle route and carrying out projects to improve air quality in management even.





4. Power -

Initiatives to reduce the impact of emissions from energy use and generation. We are investigating heat offtake systems and district heating networks, facilitating all power in Council buildings to be renewable by 2023 and investigating solar photovoltaic projects in the county.

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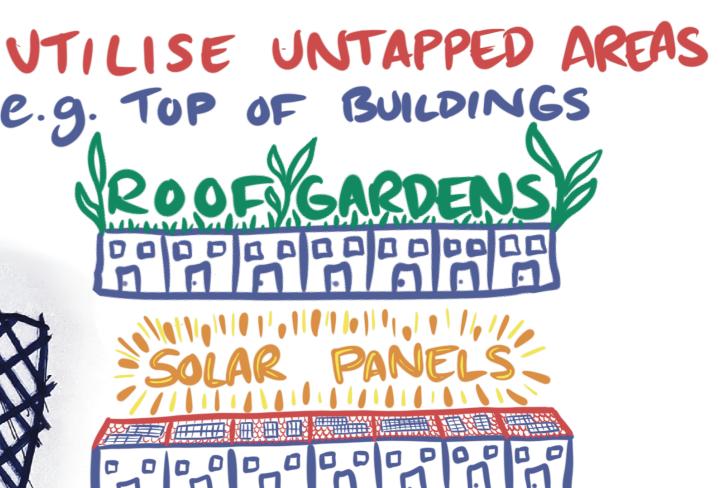
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OPINIONS ON WINDTURBINES

More CAREERS in Sustainable energy









5. Waste -

Waste will be reduced and 70% of household waste will be recycled by 2035. We run waste reduction projects including subsided cloth nappies, composting equipment and provide advice via our Master Composters, power 25,000 homes by converting non-recyclable waste to energy and are developing reuse shop options at Household



CLIMATE CHANGE



COMMUNITY SHARING CAFES

MOVE AWAY FROM MASS CONSUMPTION REPAIR DONATION + REUSING

SHIPPING OFF RECYCLING TO OTHER COUNTRIES IS A PROBLEM. WHAT IMPACT DOES THIS HAVE? HOW MUCH ACTUALLY IS RECYCLED?

6. Engagement

The council is directly responsible for around 3% of Gloucestershire's emissions but can influence up to 30% through our links to the community. We run two campaigns per quarter focussed on actions residents can take to reduce their environmental impact, libraries are creating greener together zones to increase access to sustainable literature, staff champions are spreading sustainability messages through communities.

Pressure Politics

The more local branches of national environmental organisations expand this side of their work, the more support they will be able to build up locally for their campaigns on national environmental issues. Which brings me to the second assumption of the ecopoliticians, that only an electoral shock, if that, will make the existing parties 'think green'. The truth is, there is just not enough grassroots support for environmental policies to justify politicians taking much notice of them, unless they want to. So back





Information



WE NEED A WHOLE SOCIETAL SHIFT

NOT JUST LOWER EMMISSIONS



7. Land Use -

We will use land in a more environmentally-sustainable way to become more climate resilient. We are increasing flood resilience, planting trees to offset carbon, funding the Local Nature Partnership, supporting Biodiversity Net Gain and recruiting a Biodiversity Officer to implement the Local Nature Recovery Strategy in



MORE GREEN AREAS





MORE LAND FOR



Illustrated feedback created by Gloucestershire Youth Climate group with artist Luna Lotus.







