

Loders Parish Climate and Ecological Emergency Action Plan

Jul-21

1. Transport: reduce car journeys, prioritise walking and cycling, support switch to electric vehicles and promote public transport

	<i>Parish Council Actions</i>	<i>Community Actions</i>	<i>Parish Council Actions in the wider area</i>
A.	Audit current transport use by Parish Council and reduce car mileage for council business.	Investigate possible parish-based car sharing scheme. Inform and elicit views of local community.	Support local/county initiatives to improve public transport.
B.	Work with Dorset Council Footpath team, Bradpole PC and Sustrans to develop non-road route to Bridport. Inform and elicit views of local community.	Develop non-road route to Bridport, if it has support of the local community.	Support local/county initiatives to provide alternative, non road routes.
C.	Seek advice from Low Carbon Dorset on feasibility and location of electric car charging points in parish.	Identify suitable possible sites for electric charging points. Inform and elicit views of local community.	Support local initiatives to switch to all-electric cars.
D.	Actively support local/ county initiatives to improve public transport provision.	Investigate and publicise any public transport proposals. Inform and elicit views of local community.	Lobby county authorities to improve public transport provision in this area.

2. Renewable Energy: reduce energy demand, improve energy efficiency and convert to renewable, low or zero carbon technologies

	<i>Parish Council Actions</i>	<i>Community Actions</i>	<i>Parish Council Actions in the wider area</i>
A.	Audit current energy use by Parish Council and reduce energy used for council business.		
B.	Commission Low Carbon Dorset (LCD) survey to identify possible village based renewable energy generating potential.	Hold community event to receive LCD survey findings for potential for village based renewable energy projects and information about potential community & commercial renewable installations in the wider Bridport area. Elicit views of local community and formulate community action plan.	Support local/county initiatives to provide community and commercial renewable installations.
C.	Seek advice from Low Carbon Dorset on potential community and commercial renewable installations in Bridport area.		
D.	Source speaker for community presentation on strategies to improve household energy efficiency & recycling.	Hold community event to consider householder strategies to improve household energy efficiency & recycling.	Support local/county initiatives to provide information and support for householder energy efficiency.

3. Natural Assets: support health of River Asker, plant more trees in the parish, improve parish biodiversity

	<i>Parish Council Actions</i>	<i>Community Actions</i>	<i>Parish Council Actions in the wider area</i>
A.	Support health of the river by continuing to facilitate the Asker River Project. Secure sustainability of the project as it develops.	Collaborate with DWT and AONB to continue community events and activities related to the Asker River Project.	Continue current partnership with DWT, AONB and other organisation to ensure continued improvement of the health of the River Asker.
B.	Actively seek and facilitate community projects in the parish which enhance the natural environment and/or biodiversity, to include tree and hedge planting and improving biodiversity of parish's open spaces.	Hold community event(s) to look at potential areas for action on tree and hedge planting and improving biodiversity of parish. Gauge/enlist community support and work towards developing action plans.	Enlist support of local/county groups to facilitate parish community tree and hedge planting and improving biodiversity projects.
C.	Actively apply Loders Neighbourhood Policies E3: Protection of Wildlife habitats in PC response to all planning applications.	Hold community events to consider parish wildlife habitats and how they are best protected. Elicit community views and formulate action plan.	Work with the planning authority and other bodies in ensuring due weight is given to Neighbourhood Plan policies.
D.	Respond/contribute to strategic policies both locally and nationally that protect the environment and foster and protect biodiversity.	Ensure the community is aware of such policies and, where possible, facilitate community feedback.	Respond/contribute to strategic policies both locally and nationally that protect the environment and foster and protect biodiversity.

4. Making it Happen: engage the active participation of the local community and others to maximise an effective response to the climate and ecological emergency

	<i>Parish Council Actions</i>	<i>Community Actions</i>	<i>Parish Council Actions in the wider area</i>
A.	Publish and publicise the Loders Parish draft Climate and Ecological Emergency Action Plan (CEEAP).	Seek and collate community feedback on the plan. Incorporate response into final draft plan.	Collaborate, where possible, with Bridport TC and other local Parish Councils to inform draft plan.
B.	Actively foster and facilitate community engagement in implementing individual aspects of the plan.	Hold community event(s) to look at potential areas for action. Gauge/enlist support, encourage the formation of community project based groups and work collaboratively towards realising action plans.	Enlist support of local/county groups to facilitate parish community based projects, eg DWT, Dorset Low Carbon.
C.	Actively represent community views on key areas in other forums.	Seek community views on key issues in order to represent them in wider contexts.	Convey community views to other organisations.
D.	Create Climate and Ecological Emergency section on Loders Parish Council website.	Use Parish website inform community of related events and developments and seek feedback.	Use website to publicise both local and national initiatives that protect the environment and foster and protect biodiversity.