



Climate Change and Air Quality Strategy - Consultation Questionnaire

Climate change remains arguably the greatest threat to the world - this is your chance to have your say on Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's plan to take local action to tackle climate change and air quality issues, which will also make Basingstoke and Deane a healthier place to live and work, create new jobs and help tackle social issues such as fuel poverty.

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Declaration:

171 (100.0%) **I give my permission for Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to hold my details for the purpose stated above. I understand that I can withdraw my permission at any time.**

Date
(DD/MM/YYYY) 171 (100.0%)

I am responding: (please tick one box)

- 153 (89.5%) As a local resident
2 (1.2%) As a borough councillor
4 (2.3%) On behalf of a business in the borough
1 (0.6%) On behalf of a community group or local association
5 (2.9%) On behalf of a town or parish council
6 (3.5%) Other

Please provide the first 5 digits of your postcode, to identify the ward you're from

170 (100.0%)

If you'd like to receive future updates on council work in this area, please provide your contact details below:

Email:

105 (100.0%)

Or Contact Address:

25 (100.0%)

Q1 What do you consider to be the best ways to keep others updated and for on-going engagement on developing and implementing actions to tackle climate change and air quality? (Tick all that apply)

- 123 (71.9%) Mailing list / newsletter
- 86 (50.3%) Regular surveys
- 74 (43.3%) Focus groups with representative groups
- 81 (47.4%) Climate change summits / events
- 95 (55.6%) Online discussion forum of questions and idea-sharing
- 12 (7.0%) Other

If Other, please specify

11 (100.0%)

Q2 Thinking about the following statements, to what extent do you agree or disagree that:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Our climate is changing	133 (77.8%)	33 (19.3%)	4 (2.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.6%)	0 (0.0%)
The earth is warming due to human activity	126 (73.7%)	25 (14.6%)	9 (5.3%)	3 (1.8%)	8 (4.7%)	0 (0.0%)
I have a good knowledge about the causes and effects of climate change	60 (35.1%)	86 (50.3%)	19 (11.1%)	5 (2.9%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.6%)
I am concerned about the impacts of climate change globally	119 (69.6%)	38 (22.2%)	5 (2.9%)	2 (1.2%)	7 (4.1%)	0 (0.0%)
I am concerned about the impacts of climate change locally	103 (60.2%)	48 (28.1%)	9 (5.3%)	2 (1.2%)	8 (4.7%)	1 (0.6%)
Air Quality is a significant issue nationally	102 (59.6%)	53 (31.0%)	8 (4.7%)	7 (4.1%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.6%)
Air Quality is a significant issue locally	74 (43.5%)	54 (31.8%)	26 (15.3%)	13 (7.6%)	2 (1.2%)	1 (0.6%)

If you have any comments on these points, please note them here:

38 (100.0%)

Q3 Tackling climate change and poor air quality should be a key priority for Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council (Tick one box below)

120 (70.2%) Strongly agree

32 (18.7%) Agree

4 (2.3%) Neither agree nor disagree

4 (2.3%) Disagree

10 (5.8%) Strongly disagree

1 (0.6%) Don't know

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's Strategy

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council have prepared a new draft strategy to tackle climate change and air quality issues in the borough.

The proposed strategy has set out 6 main categories for actions moving forward to tackle climate change and air quality:

- Action by all – the need for everyone in the borough to contribute
- Buildings – tackling emissions from heating and powering our buildings
- Transport – tackling emissions from vehicles
- Zero carbon electricity – supporting the transition to a decarbonised electricity system
- Waste and consumption
- Natural Environment – maximising the climate mitigation and adaptation qualities of the natural environment

The strategy document sets out the starting carbon footprint (the amount of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases produced by the activities of a person, company or organisation etc.) of the council, and the wider borough, and current air quality status. This is important so we know the areas we need to target for action and measure progress.

Further detail is set out within the full strategy document.

Q4 Do you have any comments on the baseline carbon footprint and air quality position as set out within the strategy on pages 7-9?

73 (100.0%)

Q5 To what extent to you agree with the borough council's approach to tackling climate change and air quality set out in the strategy & action plan (Tick one box below)

- 40 (23.7%) Strongly agree
- 75 (44.4%) Agree
- 27 (16.0%) Neither agree nor disagree
- 15 (8.9%) Disagree
- 9 (5.3%) Strongly disagree
- 3 (1.8%) Don't know

Q6 Do you have any comments on these proposals (positive or negative)?

90 (100.0%)

Q7 Which FIVE of the following actions should the Council prioritise taking to help reduce Basingstoke & Deane's carbon footprint and protect air quality? (Please tick up to FIVE boxes)

- 51 (30.2%) Provide advice and support to help residents and businesses to save energy
- 45 (26.6%) Provide support to communities to take action themselves to tackle climate change and air quality
- 78 (46.2%) Reduce emissions from existing buildings by improving energy efficiency, through existing or new schemes
- 46 (27.2%) Promote / support the switch to low carbon heating such as heat pumps
- 86 (50.9%) Reduce emissions from new buildings through strong planning policies
- 40 (23.7%) Utilise excess heat from large scale users to warm homes and buildings e.g. district heating schemes
- 96 (56.8%) Support installation of renewable energy, including community energy projects
- 47 (27.8%) Put in place more Electric Vehicle charging points
- 67 (39.6%) Invest in active travel infrastructure including cycle routes and pedestrian crossings
- 32 (18.9%) Incentivise use of low emission vehicles (e.g. introduce low emission zones, vehicle emission-based charges for parking permits), taxi licensing arrangements
- 54 (32.0%) Work with bus providers to support the use of electric or hydrogen buses
- 21 (12.4%) Increase campaigns to prevent engine idling
- 36 (21.3%) Provide advice and support on community sharing and reuse / recycling
- 60 (35.5%) Reduce food waste through education and/or implement food waste collection
- 64 (37.9%) Maximising the potential of green spaces within the borough to reduce, and adapt to, climate change

Q8 Do you have any other suggestions for reducing the carbon footprint of Basingstoke & Deane and improving air quality?

93 (100.0%)

Q9 To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
My actions can help tackle climate change	81 (47.6%)	67 (39.4%)	10 (5.9%)	4 (2.4%)	7 (4.1%)	1 (0.6%)
Reducing my impact on the environment is a personal priority	87 (50.9%)	60 (35.1%)	16 (9.4%)	3 (1.8%)	4 (2.3%)	1 (0.6%)
I'm happy to make personal sacrifices to combat climate change and improve air quality	80 (46.8%)	59 (34.5%)	18 (10.5%)	4 (2.3%)	9 (5.3%)	1 (0.6%)

Q10 What is preventing you taking action to tackle climate change and reduce your own carbon footprint?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Don't know how to / insufficient information / knowledge	4 (2.5%)	32 (20.3%)	28 (17.7%)	57 (36.1%)	36 (22.8%)	1 (0.6%)
Cost of taking action – can't afford to	28 (17.2%)	37 (22.7%)	40 (24.5%)	39 (23.9%)	19 (11.7%)	0 (0.0%)
Don't care / don't consider climate change important	6 (3.8%)	2 (1.3%)	8 (5.0%)	29 (18.2%)	113 (71.1%)	1 (0.6%)
I already do enough / a lot	11 (6.7%)	49 (30.1%)	47 (28.8%)	44 (27.0%)	10 (6.1%)	2 (1.2%)
Lack of infrastructure (e.g public transport, cycle paths, community facilities, EV charging)	47 (29.0%)	63 (38.9%)	33 (20.4%)	13 (8.0%)	4 (2.5%)	2 (1.2%)
Other, please specify						
	51 (100.0%)					

Ideas for reducing your carbon footprint

There are lots of ways to reduce your carbon footprint, whether you're an individual, business or community. Some key ideas for action are listed below.

For ideas on how to reduce your footprint at home, check out our website www.basingstoke.gov.uk/climate.

As a business, options to reduce your carbon footprint are similar, although further support can be found here www.basingstoke.gov.uk/sustainable-business

If you're a community group representative then get in touch climatechange@basingstoke.gov.uk to see how we can support your group take action.

Q11 Which of the following would you consider doing?(Tick all that apply)

- 118 (70.2%) Switching to an electric car
- 76 (45.2%) Take the bus or train more often
- 71 (42.3%) Walk or cycle to work more often
- 114 (67.9%) Walk or cycle journeys less than a mile
- 30 (17.9%) Go car free
- 85 (50.6%) Take fewer flights
- 109 (64.9%) Insulate my home / office building
- 116 (69.0%) Switch a renewable energy tariff / supply
- 134 (79.8%) Replace lights with energy efficient bulbs
- 143 (85.1%) Turn off lights and appliances when they're not being used
- 92 (54.8%) Turn down my central heating thermostat to 18 degrees if my household doesn't include young children, adults of a pensionable age, or individuals with a long-term medical condition
- 137 (81.5%) Choose energy efficient models when replacing my appliances
- 102 (60.7%) Install renewable energy (e.g. Solar panels)
- 86 (51.2%) Switch to low carbon heating, such as heat pumps
- 103 (61.3%) Eat less red meat and/or dairy products
- 140 (83.3%) Buy locally produced food
- 132 (78.6%) Plan food shopping and meals to avoid wasting food
- 122 (72.6%) Compost my food waste and kitchen scraps / put them in food waste bin
- 135 (80.4%) Use a re-usable cup, bag and/or water bottle
- 120 (71.4%) Repair items more often
- 120 (71.4%) Avoid buying products with non-recyclable packaging
- 129 (76.8%) Re-use products as much as possible, prior to recycling or disposal
- 141 (83.9%) Sell/Buy, donate or recycle clothes or items of furniture
- 8 (4.8%) Other
- 2 (1.2%) None of the above

Q12 Do you have any other suggestions on ways to reduce your carbon footprint?

66 (100.0%)

Q13 Please provide any further comments / suggestions on this strategy that you haven't had the opportunity to so far.

50 (100.0%)

We are committed to improving our services and promoting equality of opportunity for everyone. The answers you give to the questions below will be used to help us to achieve this. It is not compulsory, and for each question there is an option to tick 'Prefer not to say' or you can leave it blank. All responses will be treated in confidence and the information you provide will not be linked to you personally.

What is your gender?

81 (48.5%) Male 80 (47.9%) Female 1 (0.6%) Other 5 (3.0%) Prefer not to say

What is your age group?

4 (2.4%) 17 or under 32 (18.8%) 35 to 44 40 (23.5%) 65 to 74
2 (1.2%) 18 to 24 21 (12.4%) 45 to 54 14 (8.2%) 75+
13 (7.6%) 25 to 34 36 (21.2%) 55 to 64 8 (4.7%) Prefer not to say

Do you consider yourself to be disabled or as having a long-term physical or mental health condition?

The Equality Act 2010 describes a person as disabled if s/he has a physical or mental impairment (including some illnesses), which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on that person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

8 (4.7%) Yes 155 (91.2%) No 7 (4.1%) Prefer not to say

If you answered 'Yes', please describe if you wish:

5 (100.0%)

Which of these ethnic groups do you feel you belong to?

139 (83.2%) White
1 (0.6%) Black/African/Caribbean/Black British
2 (1.2%) Mixed / Multiple Ethnic Groups
1 (0.6%) Asian or Asian British
2 (1.2%) Other Ethnic Group
22 (13.2%) Prefer not to say

White

128 (94.1%) White British 0 (0.0%) White Gypsy / Traveller
1 (0.7%) White Irish 7 (5.1%) Any other White background

Black/African/Caribbean/Black British

0 (0.0%) African 1 (100.0%) Any other Black/African/Caribbean background
0 (0.0%) Caribbean

Mixed / Multiple Ethnic Groups

0 (0.0%) White and Black Caribbean

0 (0.0%) White and Black African

1 (50.0%) White and Asian

1 (50.0%) Any other mixed/multiple ethnic background

Asian or Asian British

0 (0.0%) Bangladeshi

0 (0.0%) Chinese

1 (100.0%) Indian

0 (0.0%) Nepalese

0 (0.0%) Pakistani

0 (0.0%) Any other Asian background

Other Ethnic Group

0 (0.0%) Arab

2 (100.0%) Other ethnic group

If 'Other', please state if you wish:

2 (100.0%)

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.