

Comments and suggestions from various sources

Category	Member's comment of action to be commenced	Name of member if known	Response
Building and towns	National building regulations will not cater for truly sustainable development	J Bridges	Part of the action plan will be to influence regulation where we are able
	Change national policies – building regs conflict.		Part of the action plan will be to influence regulation where we are able
	More staff to work on priorities		Each department will have responsibility for the identified action plans
	Lobby for national legislation		This will be part of the action plan
	Get council to change legislation through the LGA – tell utilities to improve their infrastructure		To be considered
	Tear this building down and start again	R Bayliss	The building is under review
	Include carbon reduction targets on all planning applications in relation to new council houses.	D Bigby	Under review
	Council offices, insulation and energy use	Cllr Allman	This is being considered as part of the building review
	Knock down old council building and build new carbon neutral building		This will be considered in a separate business case if feasible
	Introduce planning requirements for all housing in line with zero carbon (not sure can do it for non-council housing)		To be considered
	There is no mention of the emissions from our own properties	Cllr Bigby	The full report gives details of the work that is required. Housing have commenced working on improvements
	We all now have two name badges with new plastic holders. Could access not be by smart phone?	Cllr Ashman	The plastic holders are for identification, the ID card doubles as a door pass
Land-Use, Forestry and Others	Better use of our land i.e. not using agricultural land for building on.	J Clarke	To be considered and progressed
	Increase tree planting and encourage better diets	C Sewell	This is part of the action plan to be progressed
	Tree planting – take more consideration of tree cutting and development of agri. land in planning applications		This is part of the action plan to be progressed

	Better use of land – no grade 1 agricultural for housing		To be considered
	Waxing lyrical about what we are doing but what if we get it wrong. We are planting trees in agricultural land which one day we may need. We still need electricity to power the heat pumps.	Cllr Richichi	The District Council are communicating with the Woodland Trust who are working on the preservation and growth of tree planting in the district.
Power and Renewable Energy	Increase use of solar panels	R Ashman	Accepted by the report, NW has a high percentage and should be increased
	Power from the grid	Cllr Allman	A National issue that will need to be addressed
	Increase solar capacity		Accepted by the report, NW has a high percentage and should be increased
	Co-ordination of utilities (road digging etc.)		To be considered and progressed
	Can we have clarification on the point made about the exclusion of electricity by virtue of the district receiving its supply from outside?	Cllr Benfield	This will be addressed in the near future with the rational
Transport	Introduce more charging points including our own car parks	R Canny	Accepted and being progressed with county and other districts
	Work with LCC and local taxi firms to enable more transport for getting to work affordably without using the car.	T Eynon	Agreed and to be progressed
	Introduce electric cars	A Woodman	Agreed and will be considered with the charging points
	Charging points at the district offices, Ashby and the district.	Cllr Allman	Accepted and being progressed with county and other districts
	Promotion and affordability of electric cars	Cllr Allman	This is part of the action plan to be considered
	Public transport needs to offer a practical alternative to cars – work with LCC and taxi firms to make demand responsive transport. UBER or Arriva Click technology		Accepted
	Event on future of transportation to educate people		To be considered and progressed in the future
	Electric vehicles can be dangerous if they set on fire – lithium batteries	Cllr Richichi	The Fire service have confirmed they have all the technology and plans to deal with this issue
	Has the fact we have EMA in our district been factored in?	Cllr Eynon	The report has not included information relating to EMH Working closely with EMA is an

			essential element of the work in the future.
Waste	Raise our aspirations in recycling rates. These are too low.	J Bridges	This is part of recycle more and will be considered in conjunction with the packaging issues
	Increased use of recycled materials e.g benches & increase education on benefits of recycling	D Everitt	Will be addressed as part of the action plan
	Seek the co-ordination of utility services and reduce paper wastage	V Richichi	Agreed and to be progressed
	Reduce single use plastic	A Saffell	The council has started to reduce the single use plastics and will be progressed further
	Packaging and recycling	Cllr Allman	Recycle More will constantly review the targets and measures to increase recycling
	70% recycling is too low – raise aspiration, higher sooner.		Recycle More will constantly review the targets and measures to increase recycling
	Paper company throws away boxes of paper if damaged		To be considered under the heading of recycling
	Make more out of recycled materials, building materials, benches etc		Accepted
	People in less affluent areas don't recycle – need to encourage them to more		Recycle More will encourage additional recycling as part of the action plan
Other	Need a way of measuring the value of carbon/wellbeing to society/community		There are number of systems in development at this time, the district can take advantage as they come on line
	Finding a way of making decisions that incorporate more measures of value than just financial		Accepted and is part of the action plan
	Setting out standards for the future – what's going on from now forwards must be at a minimum standard		The action plan in this area is being devised and areas of influence will be considered
	Energy or carbon tax and hypothecate toward researching new energy tech, carbon capture and energy efficiency		This is a National issue and local opportunities will be identified and form part of a business plan
	We need to spend money in the right way and be clear on what it is we are trying to achieve	Cllr Sheahan	The delivery of council objectives sustainably ensuring value for money is essential. All new work will be subject of a business plan or project plan.

	We can influence some of these decisions by referencing the Local Plan. Until we do this we are not working together in a joined up way.		The Local plans are being supported by the district council and can be used to reflect partnership working as far as possible
	Will the Cabinet include a firmer plan or just a repeat of these documents?	Cllr Bigby	The report and action plan will be used to direct the relevant department to address the specific CO ₂ Some business cases will be referred to cabinet
	Why are we not recording this event for those that could not attend? Or having a remote meeting? Why do we not use the technology already available to us?	Cllr Legrys	The use of technology for meetings and everyday business has been procured. Implementation is commencing in May 2020
	Are the same conversations being had with statutory undertakers?	Cllr Bridges	Partnership working and links with statutory undertakers, business and the community.
	How much of the greenhouse gases are attributed solely to carbon? What about methane and other gases?	Cllr Saffell	Other greenhouse gasses are incorporated in the sustainability plan.
	We need to lead by example with everyone doing their bit	Cllr Everitt	This is accepted and part of the 2020 plan
	What level of carbon is being produced in NWL at present and what effect will this have nationally?	Cllr Richichi	The full report details the amount of CO ₂ produced by the council and the district.
	There is no reference to the Local Plan	Cllr Legrys	The documents detail the current position. Local plan is being supported by the district council and can be one of the strategies to help reduce CO ₂