



**West
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Climate Change Strategy Frequently Asked Questions

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1. What is the strategy trying to achieve?

The strategy is intended to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve net zero on business and resident emissions by 2045.

2. How will the strategy plan to achieve carbon emission reductions?

The strategy's aims will support a large number of initiatives which will reduce carbon emissions, including increased renewable energy usage, improving the energy efficiency of homes, and promoting sustainable transportation.

3. What role does renewable energy play in the strategy?

Renewable energy sources such as solar will be key to reducing reliance on fossil fuels and lowering carbon emissions, a large part of this will be dependent on the Governments plans to "green the grid".

4. How will the strategy support energy efficiency improvements?

A key aim of the strategy is to ensure the Council continues to enable residents to access home energy funding schemes such as ECO ([ECO4 flex energy efficiency scheme | West Northamptonshire Council](#)) which helps those on low incomes.

5. What are the key areas the strategy aims to target?

The key areas include people, energy, buildings, transport, nature, waste management, economy, and adaptation.

6. How does the strategy address transportation emissions?

The strategy aims to support improved public transportation, active travel options such as cycling and walking, the increased use of electric vehicles and improved electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

7. What measures are included to reduce industrial emissions?

The strategy seeks to encourage the adoption of cleaner technologies, carbon capture and storage, and greater use of renewable energy sources such as solar electricity generation.

8. How will the strategy impact agriculture?

The strategy aims to promote sustainable farming practices and increased engagement with the farming sector on climate change.

9. What is the role of public engagement in the strategy?

Public engagement will play a vital role in delivery of the strategy raising awareness, encouraging sustainable practices, and encouraging community and business support for carbon reduction initiatives.

10. How will progress be monitored and reported?

Once an action plan is developed and approved, progress will be tracked through performance indicators and annual reporting.