



SOUTH KESTEVEN  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

# Climate change and carbon reduction annual statement

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- A proposed annual report to highlight achievements and activities around climate change, since South Kesteven District Council's declaration of climate emergency in September 2019.
- An annual high-level overview of work can help to:
  - Increase transparency of actions on climate change the Council is pursuing
  - Help track progress against our targets to reduce the carbon footprint of our own operations (at least 30% by 2030)
  - Highlight district level carbon emissions and opportunities to reduce them at a local level



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- Main sources of Council emissions:
  - Summary of work to establish 18/19 emissions with the Carbon Trust
  - Overview of 19/20 emissions
  - Expected impact of COVID pandemic on Council emissions
- South Kesteven district emissions
  - Summary of proportion of emissions from the district from each sector (domestic energy, transport, industry and commercial etc.) using government data compiled by BEIS
  - Carbon emissions per district resident, change since 2005



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- Case studies to highlight where Council projects target climate change:
  - Examples:
    - LED streetlighting
    - Rewilding areas
    - Climate change section in decision reports
- Looking forward – what we plan to focus on in the next 12 months:
  - Investigate more fully our emissions hotspots in our *Carbon footprint and reduction opportunities* report
  - Develop a regularly updated dashboard for the Council showing carbon emissions from operations
  - Refine carbon reduction projects action plan with outlined short and medium term projects
  - Develop approach to encourage reduction of carbon emissions throughout SK by residents, businesses and other public sector partners
  - Deliver capacity building sessions to staff on climate change and sustainability

