

Warwick District People's Inquiry on Climate Change 2021

Summary of top 15 Recommendations

Theme	People's Inquiry Recommendation
1 TRANSPORT	Promote and encourage more people to take up cycling through:
2 HOUSING	Every new house must be carbon neutral both in construction and in their future use.
3 COMMUNICATIONS AND EDUCATION	A coordinated and collaborative communications campaign to encourage everyone to take action and make lifestyle changes.
4 FINANCE AND OTHERS (Including carbon recapture)	Develop a programme of carbon recapture in all council owned green and currently unused areas (even small ones e.g. corners at the end of streets) to include appropriate native trees, shrubs, wildflowers for wildlife, create wild meadow areas instead of mowing and a promotion to encourage the public to develop their gardens in the same way.
5 WASTE AND RECYCLING	Encourage the reuse of items to reduce landfill. We would like a centralised management and information platform administered by the Council to increase awareness and availability of systems for obtaining or disposing of reusable items that would otherwise go to landfill.
6 TRANSPORT	Make public buses more attractive as an alternative to cars
7 HOUSING	Refuse all future planning applications for any new housing that is not carbon zero
8 COMMUNICATIONS AND EDUCATION	The Council must feedback to the Inquiry group and district residents
9 HOUSING	Retrofitting must take place of all public buildings and council owned housing. Energy generation, efficiency and conservation plans must be in place with measurable targets.
10 COMMUNICATIONS AND EDUCATION	Local schools and other public service premises (e.g. council offices, police stations) should have targets to establish a zero waste approach
11 HOUSING	Retrofitting of private housing. A team of independent and experienced coordinators should be in place to cover all housing to give unbiased information and guidance of how to holistically address energy use and generation in people's houses. They will visit, assess and advise and explain the providers available.
12 WASTE AND RECYCLING	Investigate and put in place specific measures to ensure that flats are effectively included in all recycling and food waste initiatives and given access to community composting options.
13 FINANCE AND OTHERS	Investigate ways to reduce the environmental impact of commuting e.g. encouraging people to work from home, use public transport, provide more local housing for those who work in the area
14 WASTE AND RECYCLING	When rolling out the 2022 plans for waste and recycling, make sure that there is a good awareness campaign on recycling and other waste options (e.g. food waste) BEFORE making black/grey bin collection every three weeks
15 TRANSPORT	Better information through a good quality dedicated 'live' app for journey planning & running times etc.