

CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Make Bath and North East Somerset
CARBON NEUTRAL by 2030

We live within the sky not beneath it

- Humans have already caused massive climate breakdown, the impacts of which are being felt all around the world.
- Leading climate scientists warn there are only 12 years for global warming to be kept to a maximum of 1.5 degrees, beyond which even half a degree will significantly worsen the risks of drought, floods, extreme heat and lead to poverty for hundreds of millions of people.
- City Councils around the world are responding by declaring a 'Climate Emergency', committing resources and expertise.
- The World Meteorological Organisation state that carbon dioxide levels have hit new highs of 405.5 parts per million (ppm) in 2017, levels not seen for millions of years. This far exceeds the 350 ppm deemed to be a safe level for humanity; They warn that "the window of opportunity for action is almost closed".
- Government needs to help all our citizens reduce their own carbon emissions by changing its laws, taxation, infrastructure, policies and plans, to make low carbon living easier and the new norm.
- In order to reduce the very real risk of runaway global warming, it is imperative that all our citizens take bold steps to reduce our CO₂ emissions from their current 6.5 tonnes per person per year to less than 2 tonnes as soon as possible.
- We need to lessen our impact on the world around us. A shift in our daily actions and activities, rethinking our energy use, our means of travel and commodity use can still mean a rich and fulfilling lifestyle.

Rethink Refuse Reduce Reuse