



**KINGSMEAD**  
**PARISH COUNCIL**

# Climate Emergency Action Plan



On 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020, Kingsmead Parish Council resolved to declare a climate and ecological emergency

The council also resolved to adopt the Climate Emergency action plan which would remain a work in progress to demonstrate the council's commitment to working hard within the limit of its powers to improve the environment. The action plan will be reviewed every 6 months for progress on each action and the council will continue to collaborate with Transition Northwich.

Council Actions	Short	Medium	Long	Notes
Promote specific grants to tackle the climate crisis/promote environmental improvements	x			Replace youth grant scheme
Actively support planning applications for renewable energy installation	x			
Provide a cycle to work scheme for staff	x			Develop policy
Organise litter picking events and use as educational opportunities	x			Already actioned
Award points to contract bids based on environmental policy		x		Include weekly litter picking in new contract, encourage our contractors to be carbon neutral and use electric vehicles etc (though this may be medium term), eliminate the use of herbicides in the parish.
Draw up an events charter which includes not using single use plastics		x		
Ensure any buildings are reflecting exemplar development in sustainability terms			x	
Planting of wildflowers and promotion of ecosystem protection	x			Already actioned Promote and assist other groups such as the nurseyr
Consider provision of allotment sites			x	
Consider installation of benches in shaded areas on key routes		x		

Consider provision of walking and cycle route maps for the area to reduce short car journeys including public map boards		x		
Develop an email distribution list for the newsletter	x			Reduce print copies and use recycled paper for printing
Consider hosting a green/eco event		x		
Promote council's ethos to partner organisations	x			
Consider organising cycle maintenance training		x		
Consider developing an area for cycle training.		x		
Explore options for renewable energy installations		x	x	
Avoid unnecessary tree removal. Removed mature trees to be replaced	x			
Consider the installation of water fountains on council land		x		
Promote a reuse/repair and recycle ethos	x			
Complete assessment of office for waste reduction and energy efficiency improvements	x			
Avoid unnecessary travel by allocating set days for meetings	x			Members to collect keys instead of clerk to reduce unnecessary journey.
Members, clerk and volunteers to reduce unnecessary car journeys wherever possible and to offer car shares				Walk to meetings Members to collect keys Meetings on set days to reduce journeys
Actively engaging with consultations which impact on climate change	x			
Partnership working				

Promote the water refill scheme to local businesses and services	x			
Promote a 'shop local' scheme		x		
Work with local businesses on waste analysis/reuse and plastic reduction		x		
Promote and support the installation of environmental improvements to CWAC, businesses and residents		x		
Promotion of public transport services		x		
Work on a walk to school analysis to help promote reduction in unnecessary car journeys and promotion of lift share schemes		x		
Promote the installation of water fountains		x		
Work with CWAC on promoting and signing walking and cycling routes		x		