

Tackling the Climate Emergency, Locally

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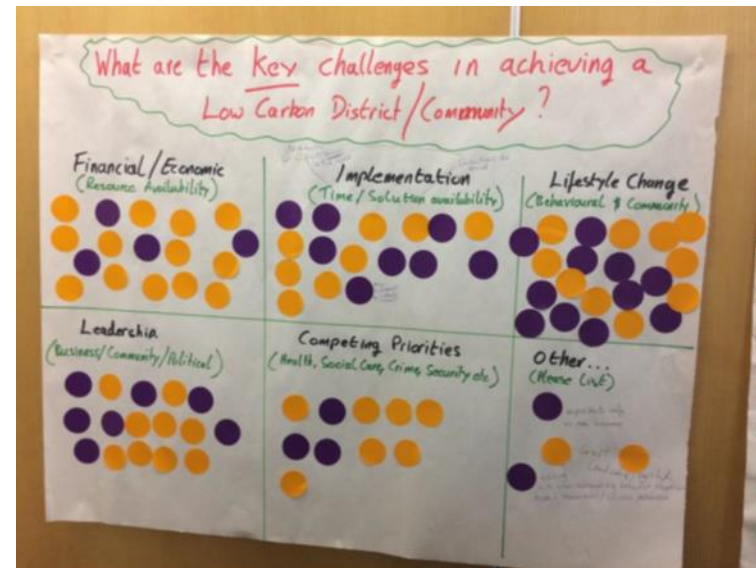
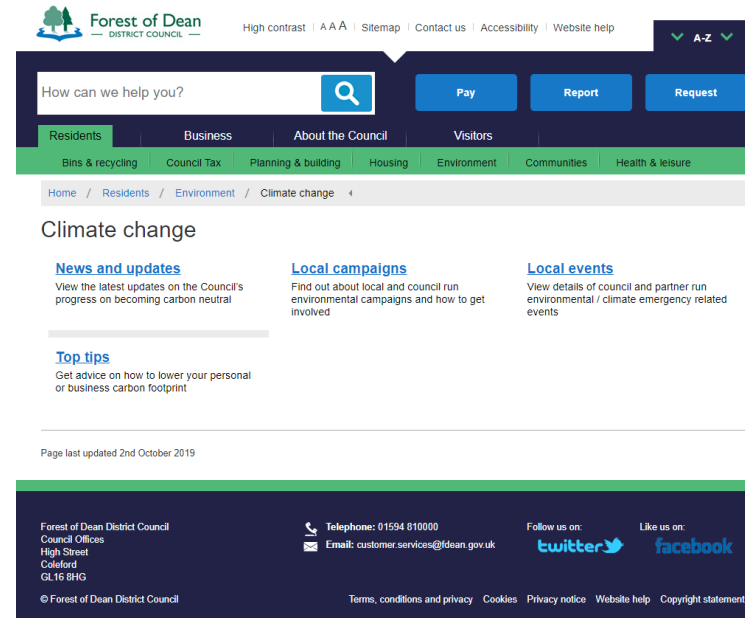
Declaring a Climate Emergency

- First rural local authority to declare
- Carbon neutral by 2030
- Around 300 local authorities declared (>90 local councils)
- Next steps: Business & Community actions



What have we done so far?

- Climate Emergency Portfolio Support Group
- Identified sites for renewable energy generation
- Climate change webpage
- ‘Green’ electricity tariff
- Working with partners (e.g. Two Rivers Housing)



Where are we heading?

- Low carbon vehicle trial
- Solar streets project
- Community engagement
- Working with partners (e.g. local schools, Freedom Leisure)
- Low Carbon Planning Policy



What can Parish and Town councils do?

- Green your Neighbourhood Plan
- Manage land for nature and plant trees
- Develop and promote lift sharing schemes & rural transport
- Save energy and buy green
- Consider renewable energy projects



Resources for Local Councils

- [Friends of the Earth: 20 actions](#)
- [Ashden: A toolkit for city regions and local authorities](#)
- [Centre for Sustainable Energy: Climate Emergency Support Programme](#)
- [Woodland Trust / PlantLife](#)
- [Salix Finance / Rural Community Energy Fund](#)
- [Solar Streets](#)

