



Climate Emergency UK CIC

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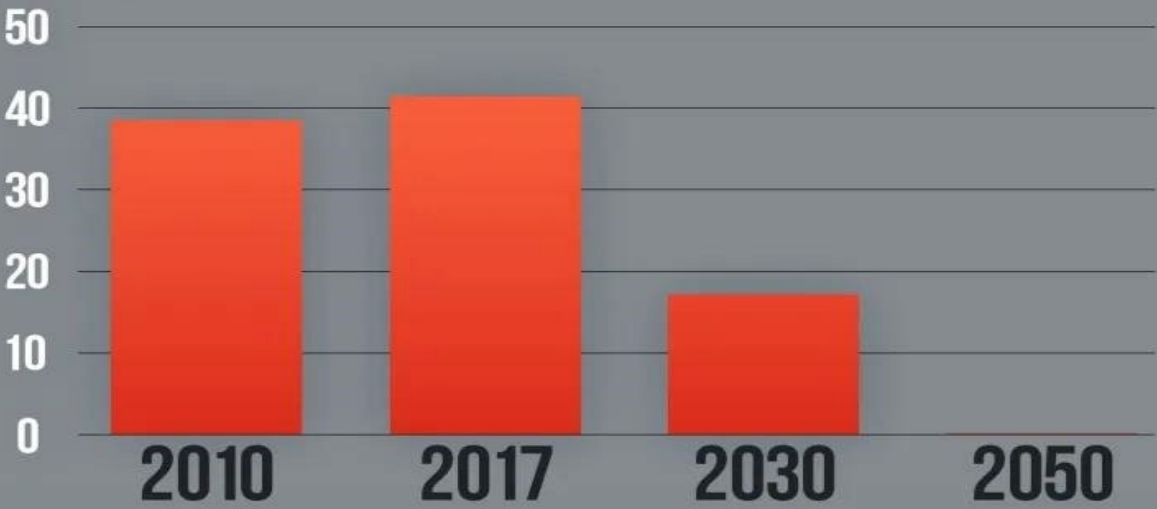


Global Warming of 1.5 °C - Special IPCC Report 2018

BIG CHANGES NEEDED

Limiting Global Warming to 1.5°C Will Require Deep Emissions Cuts

(GtCO₂ per year)



1.5°C is equal to 2.7°F
Source: IPCC Global Warming of 1.5°C Report

Climate Emergency UK CIC

- Founded in December 2018 by Councillor Kevin Frea, Lancaster City Council.
- Initially supported by funded interns from Lancaster University.
- Started by collecting Climate Emergency Declarations for Councils to adapt and adopt.
- Then started collecting Climate Action Plans.
- Susanna, first member of staff developed a [Checklist](#) of 'what makes a good Action plan, with help from Ashden, APSE Energy, FOE and others.
- Approached by mySociety to create a searchable [CAP database](#).
- Published first [Council Climate Scorecards](#) in January 2022 with funding & collaboration from mySociety.
- 3 full time staff to develop next iteration of Scorecards.



Council Climate Action Scorecards

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Council Climate Action Scorecards Aims

Score every UK LA on actual council climate action in 2023 in order to track and support carbon reduction from UK LAs, so that:

1. Councils use the results of the Council Climate Action Scorecards to improve their current Climate Action Plans, implement effective policies that will create local, systemic change to reach net-zero in a just way within their current constraints.
2. Campaigners use the results of the Council Climate Action Scorecards to lobby for specific and targeted policy improvements and win changes.

Council Climate Action Scorecards Criteria

Transport - Council Fleet, Taxis, Buses, Active travel, Roads, Air quality

Planning, Land Use & Biodiversity - Local plans/planning regs, Requirements for new buildings, Fossil fuel project/renewable energy planning applications, Tree cover, Nature based adaptation actions, Parks, Pesticides, (Farming)

Food & Waste - Recycling, Healthy/sustainable eating, Allotments, Local food economy

Buildings & Heating - Energy efficiency/retrofitting of existing buildings and homes, Council own buildings, Support to other businesses/buildings in the area

Comms & Partnerships - Working with others, Community engagement, is the councils action updates easy to find on their website and accessible, Are the council lobbying central gov't, Culture

Governance & Finance - Funding for climate action and the climate action plan, Pensions, Procurement, Decision making process to include climate impact of decisions, Staff KPIs/job descriptions around climate action, carbon literacy training of staff

Council Climate Action Scorecards: Tips for Councils

- Make your Climate Action Plans and Updates easy to find on your website
- Ensure your CAP has SMART targets - makes the measuring a million times easier
- See our 10 top tips here:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IcqQFwcKcz0XcxKRu9h-g3Zj8Tsbyhul/view>
- Use our scorecards to lobby and learn - see our guide:
<https://councilclimatescorecards.uk/how-to-use-the-scorecards/>

Council Climate Action Scorecards Methodology

First mark, right of reply and audit

Aim to publish the methodology before the end of the year

Scorecards to be published in Autumn 2022

Council Climate Action Scorecards Feedback

How is your council measuring current climate action?

Thank You
Questions?

