

## Climate Change Action Plan 1- Actions underway and committed

We are using this action plan as an initial framework for our response to the climate and ecological emergency. This action plan provides an outline of actions already in progress and this is a working document. Action Plan 2 contains all proposed actions not yet started or funded.

Areas of focus are those which are already outlined as headings within the Kent Environment Strategy.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/strategies-and-policies/environment-waste-and-planning-policies/environmental-policies/kent-environment-strategy>

Housing								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Housing	TDC is committed to increasing energy efficiency standards as well as reducing the district's carbon footprint. Currently TDC is proposing to install 23.6 kWp of solar panel systems across the TDC Affordable Homes Programme - Phase 3. This will result, in a reduction of approx 50,090 kg of carbon and a generation of 18,202 kWh of	All TDC new build units meet the energy efficiency requirements set out in the Building Regulations Approved Documents :	Started	Newbuild schemes complete in 2020/21 and letting commences thereafter. Reduction in energy uses will be known from then.	Already committed as part of Total contract value	Housing Strategy Manager	Planning	Contractors

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	(renewable energy) electricity over a five year period. As a direct result, the annual energy bill savings would be approx. £2515. These figures are based on SAP calculations and actual generation figures maybe higher.	L1A Conservation of fuel and power in new dwellings. Each TDC new build aligns to the Co2 emission rates for new buildings and the fabric energy efficient rates.						
Energy	<p>Draft Housing Strategy incorporates approach to improving standards in homes promoting energy and water efficiency to address fuel poverty affecting households in the district.</p> <p>Joint ERDF bid to SELEP for whole house retrofit of private and social housing. If successful, the activities will be focussed around the coastal towns of East Sussex and Kent (primarily Hastings and Margate) of the SE LEP area, where there is a high concentration of poorly maintained private rented properties. The interventions will primarily be targeted at private rented</p>	<p>Defined activities for promoting energy efficiency programme, such as warm homes initiatives.</p> <p>If bid is successful, <b>Short term</b> : roll-out of Retrofit model in Thanet area; barriers/triggers identified for measures relating to testing private rented landlords market. From</p>	<p>Draft Strategy to be presented to Cabinet in December for approval and wider consultation thereafter.</p> <p>Waiting for outcome</p>	<p>Activity already underway through planning which requires National Technical Standards and Code Level 4 to new housing development.</p>	<p>Development cost for new build</p> <p>Existing HRA budget for council housing</p> <p>£500k (to be budgeted)</p>	<p>Housing Strategy Manager</p>	<p>Cross local authority</p> <p>Finance</p> <p>Housing - Private Sector Housing</p>	

	<p>landlords as identified by the local authorities. This is a challenging sector to engage with, but the learning could also influence decisions made by private householders that are able to contribute to the cost of measures. The whole house approach will also be trailed through some social housing stock in the areas to develop the supply chain more rapidly.</p> <p>Local businesses in the areas will be encouraged to engage with the project to develop the supply chain as the pilot increases the demand side. Linkage with the local colleges in terms of skills development and a pipeline of competent local workforce will also be key.</p>	<p>study, awareness of potential market opportunity for local businesses with demand for new products/services identified and some tested. Skills gap provision identified for delivery and local skills support developed with local providers. Testing of measures through easier implementation into social housing market.</p> <p><b>Medium-term:</b> implementing of recommendations from landlords research; development of the</p>	<p>of bid in early 2020.</p>					
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		<p>retrofit market for landlords, particularly the development of the whole house retrofit, achieving 200 whole house retrofits, from reaching around 5,000 landlords. This will deliver outputs of more energy efficient homes and greenhouse gas reductions (1.5 tonne per house), as well as innovation in new products to deliver the whole house measure. Development of local supply chain and opportunity for local college providers.</p> <p><b>Long-term impact:</b> greenhouse gas reductions</p>						
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		(300 tonne); increase in energy efficiency measures in houses; development of the market in both the demand side and supply chain; improvement in local skills match and local job growth; development of a coastal cluster of expertise in solutions for whole house retrofits particularly working with private landlords.						
Domestic Energy and Fuel Poverty	Energy Officer being appointed to develop strategies to tackle fuel poverty and support residents to access grants for reducing energy use in housing.		Started	£40k - approved in budget		Housing Strategy Manager	Housing - private sector housing	Kent County Council and energy partners

Planning (Strategic Planning and Planning Applications)								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
<a href="#">Draft Local Plan</a>	<p>Range of policies to promote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sustainable developments - Code level 4; Technical standards including water efficiency; building resilience</li> <li>• renewable energy,</li> <li>• biodiversity - net gain, protection of international European, national and local wildlife sites; biodiversity opportunity areas, management eg NE Stewardship; Thanet Coast; SAMM;</li> <li>• landscaping in new developments, protection of trees in development</li> <li>• address climate change issues</li> </ul>	<p>Adoption of policies to influence new development proposals. Draft policies SP35, SP24 to SP28, GI01 to GI06; QD01, QD02 QD04, CC01 to CC07; SE05 and SE06, SE08</p>	Local Plan at Examination	Local Plan adoption anticipated March 2020	To be directly provided/ funded through development	Strategic Planning Manager	Strategic Planning; Planning applications Housing	Developers housebuilders Housing associations
Strategic Access Management	Implementation of work programme	Appointment of SAMM officer	October 2019 Ongoing	Ongoing	Funded through S106	SAMM Officer	Strategic Planning;	NE voluntary groups

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and Monitoring Plan (SAMM)		to implement work programme and monitoring			(TDC and CCC)		Planning Applications	
Energy - renewable energy promotion in draft Local Plan District heating micro generation	Draft policies CC04,CC05, CC06			Local Plan adoption March 2020	To be funded or provided through development	Strategic Planning Manager / Planning Application Manager	Planning Applications ; Strategic Planning	
Transport - Local Plan & Transport Strategy seek to support/increase travel by public transport, especially buses.	Policies in draft Local Plan and <a href="#">Transport Strategy</a>	New developments to be served by regular bus services and reduce reliance on cars	Proposed in draft Local Plan	Local Plan and Transport Strategy to be adopted in March 2020. In parallel with development	Some elements to be funded through development. Some Govt funding schemes - HIF; MRN; etc	Strategic Planning Manager / KCC	Planning Applications ; Strategic Planning	Stagecoach; developers; passenger groups
Walking & Cycling Strategy	Policies in draft Local Plan and Transport Strategy. Review of Strategy following adoption of Local Plan	Provide suitable alternatives for cyclists and reduce reliance on cars	Proposed in draft Local Plan	Local Plan and Transport Strategy to be adopted in March 2020. In parallel with development	Currently no funding for new schemes	Strategic Planning Manager / KCC	Planning Applications ; Strategic Planning	KCC; developers
<b>Environmental Protection</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/PI	Timescales	Financial implications: Already	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders

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			anned/Proposed		budgeted/external funding achieved or identified/funding required?			
Air Quality / Pollution	Air Quality Action Plan measures to reduce NOx emissions, alongside CO2 and other pollutants. Feed into Kent Low Emissions Strategy.	<p>Latest report: <a href="https://www.thanet.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Thanet-ASR-2019-final.pdf">https://www.thanet.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Thanet-ASR-2019-final.pdf</a></p> <p>Latest levels: <a href="http://www.kentair.org.uk/">http://www.kentair.org.uk/</a></p>	<p>Annual Reports to Defra</p> <p>Please see: <a href="https://www.thanet.gov.uk/info-pages/air-quality/">https://www.thanet.gov.uk/info-pages/air-quality/</a></p>	Annual ASR	Already Budgeted	Environmental Health Officer	<p>Defra</p> <p>K&amp;MAQP</p> <p>KCC Highways</p> <p>Kentair.org</p>	Residents
Industrial Emissions	Improvements to Margate Crematorium as part of Env. Permitting / Annual Inspection process	Move from four to two cremators with improved efficiencies (CO2 reduction) and Hg abatement.	Condition on Environmental Permit introduced June 2005	Completed 2013	Works already completed / Statutory Subsistence Fees for ongoing annual inspections	<p>Bereavement Services Manager</p> <p>Environmental Health Officer</p>	<p>Margate Crematorium</p> <p>Defra</p>	<p>Local Business</p> <p>Residents</p>
Planning Policy	<p>Urban Air Quality Management Area designated by TDC</p> <p>Technical Planning Guidance - Emissions Mitigation</p>	Implement a Strategic Approach in Thanet to reduce emissions (NOx & CO2) and improve AQ in hotspot areas	Urban AQMA introduced in 2011	<p><a href="https://www.thanet.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Urban_AQMA_Boundary_Order.pdf">https://www.thanet.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Urban_AQMA_Boundary_Order.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.thanet.gov.uk/">https://www.thanet.gov.uk/</a></p>	Already Budgeted	Environmental Health Officer	Strategic Planning	<p>Developers</p> <p>Residents</p>

	<p>Electric Vehicles Developers' Guide</p> <p>Local Plan Policies</p>	<p>Further info:  <a href="https://www.thanet.gov.uk/info-pages/air-quality/">https://www.thanet.gov.uk/info-pages/air-quality/</a></p>	<p>Technical Planning Guidance introduced in 2016</p> <p>EV Guide introduced in 2018</p> <p>Contributions to Draft Local Plan 2019-2031 AQ Policies</p>	<p><a href="/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Thanet-AQ-Technical-Planning-Guidance-2016.pdf">/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Thanet-AQ-Technical-Planning-Guidance-2016.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.thanet.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/EV-guidance.pdf">https://www.thanet.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/EV-guidance.pdf</a></p> <p>PINS decision anticipated January 2020</p>				
OLEV Funding	<p>Introduce Electric Charging Points in Mill Lane Car Park, Margate.</p> <p>Electric Charging Points for Taxis - Locations TBC</p>	<p>Match funding obtained for fast chargers to incentivise electric vehicle use for general public and TDC; with 3 year free charging scheme to reduce emissions (NOx &amp; CO2).</p>	<p>Funding application - 2013</p> <p>Funding application signed off by Director in</p>	<p>Completed March 2014</p> <p>TBC</p>	<p>Funding identified and received / pending</p>	<p>Environmental Health Officer</p> <p>Environmental Protection Manager</p>	<p>Parking</p> <p>Licensing</p>	<p>Residents</p> <p>TDC Vehicles</p> <p>Taxi Drivers</p>

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		Funding for Taxi Charging Points to incentivise electric vehicle use for taxi drivers in Thanet to reduce emissions (NOx & CO2).	November 2018					
Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy	Recommendation for inclusion of schedule for phasing out of older diesel (and petrol) taxis by defined date in updated Licensing Policy.	Reduce emissions (NOx & CO2) and incentivise use of electric taxis.	Recommendation to Licensing in May 2018	TBC	Observations sent out / already budgeted	TBC	Licensing	Residents Taxi Drivers
Manston Airport	Comments to PINS regarding Mitigation of Environmental Matters (e.g. AQ, Noise, Land Contamination) and Climate Change	Local Impact Reports: <a href="https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/manston-airport/?ipcsaction=docs">https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/manston-airport/?ipcsaction=docs</a>	February 2019 - July 2019	January 2020	Already budgeted (through Planning)	Environmental Health Officer Environmental Protection Manager	Planning PINS	Residents RiverOak
<b>Parks and Open Spaces</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders

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					achieved or identified/ funding required?			
Natural environment- Biodiversity support and protection	Wildflower verges to be introduced- starting in Minnis Bay.	More areas supporting biodiversity, in particular pollinators.  Service efficiencies from reduction in mowing.	Planned for early 2020	3 sites to be converted by end 2020.		Open Spaces Manager		Local community groups  Thanet Coast Project  Parish Council
Natural environment- Grassland biodiversity improvements	Cliff top chalk grassland management (Buzz for the Coast)	Improving the floristic grassland biodiversity for wildlife including Bumblebees	Two sites in the project area owned by TDC at Westbrook & Foremnes s	2018-20		Thanet Coast Project Officer / Open Spaces Manager	Thanet Coast Project	Local community groups - Volunteers
Natural environment- Biodiversity support and protection.	Continue to work with community groups on small tree planting projects across the district such as Mocketts Drive, St Peters.	More trees planted, providing more canopy cover.  Supporting biodiversity, also carbon offset and air quality.	Started, more projects due to commence before end 2019.	Ongoing	Funded through open spaces budget	Open Spaces Manager	Planning	Community Groups Town and parish councils
Natural environment	Biodiversity & tree strategy for Thanet, explore nature	Evidence based strategy and action plan	Proposed		TBC- outline tree strategy drafted but	Open Spaces Manager		Look at best practice- warwickshire

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	networks with neighbouring authorities	for biodiversity support, protection & growth. Connectivity between sites across district.			pending development of KCC Biodiversity Strategy	& Arboricultural officer		/ South west nature partnership
<b>Waste, Recycling &amp; Street Cleansing</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
<b>Waste/resource management</b>								
Litter	Education officer post recruited to tackle litter and behaviour change associated	Litter prevention reducing damage to natural environment and public realm, public perception improved	Started	Recruitment underway	Funded-within TDC budget	Enforcement services Manager	Waste, recycling and street cleansing	Residents, KRP
Single use plastics	Promoting waste hierarchy of reduce and re-use. Changing view of waste to resource. Input into deposit return scheme (DRS) as it develops nationally.	Reduction in waste produced, increase in recycling rate.	Started-KRP campaigns	KRP comms calendar?	KRP	Waste & recycling manager	Comms/ Waste & recycling	KRP

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Recycling across Thanet	Roll out of recycling to areas where it is possible who do not receive the standard kerbside service, ie NRS areas and flats.	Increase in recycling participation- increase in good quality recycle	Meetings started	2020?	Costed- not in budget	Waste & recycling manager	Comms/ Waste & recycling	Residents impacted/ customer contact
<b>Operational Services- Fleet management</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress- Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Energy/emissions	Efficiencies in emissions from service changes as a result of the new in-cab tech.	Reduced emissions	Started	December 2020 full current fleet fitted	Funded from capital	Transport /fleet manager/ Waste recycling manager	IT/support services/ digital team	Product provider
Energy/emissions	Round efficiencies	Reduced emissions	Plans already mapped out	2020	N/A	Waste & recycling manager	Digital team	Comms/ customer contact
<b>Facilities</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress- Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders

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Internal resource efficiencies across offices and satellite sites.	Energy savings, the way we use our electric and Gas, looking at more efficient lighting and how we reduce usage in turning things off. Possibility for a green energy supplier.	LED lighting is being implemented within the office areas, gas savings to be made by adjusting settings and timer of controls	LED lighting has started mainly in meeting rooms but will be extended to main offices on a rolling programme, gas settings have been adjusted and will monitor future fuel costs	LED replacement 2023		Facilities Manager		
Procurement of resources across offices and satellite sites.	Encourage use of keep cups and refillables. Do we need the vending machine? If so get rid of plastic products from it. Purchase greener alternatives, recycled products. Encourage paperless and reduce printing quotas!	Less impact from TDC staff, promoting positive environmental behaviours, leading by example.	Proposed	Work towards Apr 2020 start- phased approach	To be managed within budget- efficiencies from less paper, cups, vending contract etc need to be understood. May offset	Facilities Manager	ALL	Your leisure already doing this.

					higher price of recycled products as example?			
<b>Coastal/Foreshores &amp; Thanet Coast Project</b>								
<b>Area of focus</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed</b>	<b>Timescales</b>	<b>Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?</b>	<b>Lead officer</b>	<b>Other departments involved</b>	<b>External stakeholders</b>
<b>Natural environment-Biodiversity support and protection</b>								
North East Kent Marine Protected Area (NEKMPA): marine and coastal environment	Programme of actions - from awareness raising to projects for the NEKMPA	To maintain coastal and marine habitats - including designated marine & bird species - in a favourable condition	Started with launch of Management Scheme, Action Plans, and Thanet Coast Project in 2001	Continuing with 6 year action plans. To be agreed: 2019-24	No budget/ Statutory 'Relevant Authority' role	Thanet Coast Project Officer	All Departments with coastal remit (Coast/ Estates/ Coastal Engineers/ Open Spaces/ Harbours/ Community Safety-Events)	10 'Relevant Authorities' form the Management Group & links with local community

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<p>Thanet Coast Project</p>	<p><b>Raise awareness of the important marine and bird life</b>,and how to avoid damaging them</p> <p><b>Work with local people to safeguard coastal wildlife</b></p> <p><b>Encourage and run wildlife related events</b></p> <p><b>Focal point for enquiries and gathering information &amp; Keeping everyone informed</b></p>	<p>Education event programme: a) public events (20/yr); b) community events (12/yr)</p>	<p>Annual programme of awareness raising event; website &amp; social media</p> <p>(avoiding damage - see Thanet coastal codes; for volunteering - see Thanet Coastal Warden/Guardian Scheme below)</p>	<p>Annual programme</p>	<p>Funding required from 2020</p>	<p>Thanet Coast Project Officer</p>	<p>TDC Events team approval required</p>	<p>Coastal Community</p> <p>NEKMPA Management Group /Advisory Group</p>
<p>Thanet Coastal Codes</p>	<p>Produce and implement a set of voluntary Coastal Codes to help safeguard the area's coastline and wildlife of the NE Kent MPA</p>	<p>These codes help people to reduce our impact on the environment, whilst encouraging people to use the coast responsibly and safely.</p>	<p><b>Seashore Code</b></p> <p><b>Bait Digging &amp; Collecting Code</b></p> <p><b>Dog Walking Code</b></p> <p><b>Field Trip Code</b></p>	<p>First codes started in 2002. Reviews update coastal codes and introduce new ones where needed</p> <p>Also additional local agreements -</p>	<p>No budget/ Statutory 'Relevant Authority' role</p>	<p>Thanet Coast Project Officer</p>		<p>10 'Relevant Authorities' form the Management Group &amp; links with local recreational &amp; community groups</p>

			<b>Horse Riding Code</b>  <b>Marine Wildlife Watching Code</b>  <b>Powercraft Activities Code</b>  <b>Shellfish Harvesting and Fixed Netting Code</b>  <b>Shore Angling Code</b>  <b>Wind powered activities</b>  <b>Seaweed Harvesting Code</b>	Bait digging & Kitesurfing				
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			<b>Fossil Code</b>					
Volunteer engagement and involvement on looking after the coastal and marine environment	Thanet Coastal Warden Scheme (Guardians) - monitoring, reporting, action & awareness raising events	<p>Network of volunteers (eyes &amp; ears of the coast) helping keep in a favourable</p> <p>In particular:</p> <p>a) Monitoring recreational activity pressures; and where coastal codes are broken or wildlife disturbance;</p> <p>b) reporting incidents for the authorities to deal with straight away</p> <p>c) Educational awareness raising through a series of local events and activities</p>	Set up in 2004	Continuing	Funding Required from 2020	Thanet Coast Project Officer	Reports to NEKMPA Management Group	Coastal Community Volunteers
Non-native marine species control	Volunteer task teams trained and run tasks to tackle spread of non-native marine species (due to warmer seas)	Control of the spread of a) Pacific Oysters and b)	Control work on an annual monthly	Continuing (started 2007)	External funding (2-ends 2020)	Thanet Coast Project Officer /	Team 1) Natural England;	Volunteers

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		Wireweed in targeted locations on the Thanet Coast	programme over low tides			Assistant Harbour Master	Team 2) Kent Wildlife Trust (Guardians of the Deep)	
Beach Cleans	Advice and loan scheme for group beach cleans	Help community groups to tackle and reduce beach litter on the Thanet coast	Advice & loan scheme set up; with regular volunteer cleans	New loan scheme set up in 2019	External Funding	Thanet Coast Project Officer	Sea Changers Grant 2019 / Street Cleansing	Community Groups & Businesses
<b>Press &amp; Communications</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications: Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Across all focus headings- <b>engagement</b>	Develop a climate change comms plan	To communicate to the public what TDC's response to the climate emergency is.	Website text drafted	Immediate start	TBC	Communications	Climate change working groups-cross departments	
Across all focus headings- <b>engagement</b>	Resident Focus/consultation Group to be defined and set up	To ensure a transparent approach to response to the	To be discussed at next member	ASAP	TBC	Communications	All departments	Residents/ community groups

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		climate emergency, include relevant stakeholders, mobilise community groups.	working groups.					
Across all focus headings- <b>engagement</b>	Comms to attend KRP resident comms	To increase resident comms on waste and recycling behaviour change issues needed.	Comms managers workshop planned date TBC	Date TBC but ongoing comms calendar shared and underway for seasonal campaigns	KRP funded-district contribution made annually	Press team	Op services	KRP members
<b>Community Development</b>								
<b>Area of focus</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed</b>	<b>Timescales</b>		<b>Lead officer</b>	<b>Other departments involved</b>	<b>External stakeholders</b>
Across all focus headings- <b>engagement</b>	Continued support for Dane Park/Ellington Park projects and other community groups	Reputational, local improvements to green spaces	Started	Ongoing	Officer time	Community Development Officer	Estates, Open Spaces	Community groups
Across all focus headings- <b>engagement</b>	Non-specific promotion of TDC green initiatives with all stakeholders	Various	Started	Ongoing	Officer time	Community Development Officer	All	Community groups
<b>Policy</b>								

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Across all focus headings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Council is Compliant with any new legislative measures.</li> </ul>	Update Policies, Strategies & Protocols to reflect new legislation.	Policies, Strategies and Protocols reflect any new legislative changes.	Ongoing - Dependent on Parliamentary timetable.	Ongoing		Dependent on what service area the legislative changes relate to.	Climate Change Officer Working Group.	Dependent on what service area the legislative changes relate to.
2019-21 Environment Bill	Maintain a watching brief as the Bill passes through the Legislative process and provide updates to service areas.  <a href="https://services.parliament.uk/bills/2019-21/environment.html">https://services.parliament.uk/bills/2019-21/environment.html</a>	Service areas are aware of potential impacts of the Bill and are able to plan in advance to implement measures in the Bill when it is Enacted.	2nd reading took place 26 Feb 20	Ongoing		Policy Officer	Climate Change Officer Working Group.	
Other existing policy-international/national: -Paris Agreement -Convention on	Maintain a watching brief as changes develop across these policies and provide updates to service areas.	Services aware of all relevant current legislation and potential impact of	COP 26-UN 2020 climate summit  General election				Climate Change Officer Working Group.	

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<p>Biological Diversity, Sustainable Development Goals</p> <p>-Climate Change Act 2008 -Clean Growth Strategy -25 Year Environment Plan -Resource and Waste Strategy 2018 -Planning Act 2008</p>		<p>changes on horizon</p>						
<p>Linking to Kent Climate Change Network (CCN) and Kent Environment Strategy (KES)</p>	<p>Attending CCN meetings and input</p>	<p>To keep up to date on Kent wide strategy, tools and best practice.</p>	<p>Planned- next meeting in January</p>			<p>TBC</p>		<p>Kent Councils within the network</p>
<p>Coordination and delivery of the Council's climate change response and this action plan</p>	<p>Recruit a climate change officer</p>	<p>Coordination of the response for TDC, ensuring joined up approach, all stakeholders engaged, good governance. Act as the spoc for the growing workload this</p>	<p>Proposed</p>	<p>ASAP</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Current officer lead for the subject</p>	<p>All depts on this plan.</p>	<p>See other councils- Dover already have one, Canterbury just recruited.</p>

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## Climate Change Action Plan 2- Proposed actions

We are using this action plan as an initial framework for our response to the climate and ecological emergency. This action plan provides an outline of actions which are scheduled/planned, and ideas or proposals to be explored.

This is a working document.

Housing								
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Energy/Emissions								
<b>Planning (Strategic Planning and Planning Applications)</b>								
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<b>Ideas/Proposals</b>	Review Local Plan policies as part of wider LP review, in light of changing Govt policy.	Not known	Following adoption of Local Plan	Review in 2020; update to follow	Core work	Strategic Planning Manager	Strategic Planning	Central Govt
	Review of Walking & Cycling Strategy	Provide suitable alternatives for cyclists and reduce reliance on cars	Following adoption of Local Plan	Review in 2020	Unfunded	Strategic Planning Manager / KCC	Strategic Planning	KCC
<b>Environmental Protection</b>								

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Education	WoW Initiative	Grant Funding of Education for Green Travel Schemes through KM Charity to reduce emissions <a href="https://www.keptonline.co.uk/news/charities/a-breath-of-fresh-air-25066/">https://www.keptonline.co.uk/news/charities/a-breath-of-fresh-air-25066/</a>	July 2014	Ad Hoc	Funding required for external schemes	Environmental Protection Manager	TDC Press Office	Residents / Children
	Local Press Releases	<a href="https://www.keptonline.co.uk/thanet/news/districts-air-quality-improving-209766/">https://www.keptonline.co.uk/thanet/news/districts-air-quality-improving-209766/</a>	August 2019					KM Charity Team
<b>Brexit Planning</b>	<i>Operation Brock</i>	<i>Central government funding request for AQ monitoring linked to new</i>	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	<i>Funding Required</i>	<i>TBC</i>	<i>All / DfT</i>	<i>Residents Staff</i>

		<i>Manston lorry park (5,800 capacity) to study emissions</i>						
<b>Ideas</b>	<p><i>Explore use of Carbon8 Technology / Aggregates?</i></p> <p><i>HR Policies - e.g. Cycle to Work Scheme?</i></p> <p><i>Low Carbon Plus Grants from KCC?</i></p> <p><i>'Life Tree' Planting Scheme (approx. 1500 births per annum in Thanet)?</i></p> <p><i>Procurement Policies?</i></p>	<p><i>Carbon Capture / Offsetting / Education</i></p> <p><i>Reduce Emissions / Improve Staff Wellbeing</i></p> <p><a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/business/Business-and-the-environment/eu-funded-projects/low-carbon-plus">https://www.kent.gov.uk/business/Business-and-the-environment/eu-funded-projects/low-carbon-plus</a></p> <p><i>Option to plant a tree in Thanet following registration of a birth.</i></p> <p><i>Introduce carbon neutral / offsetting clause to PIF forms &amp; tender process.</i></p>	TBC	TBC	<i>Funding required for external schemes</i>	TBC	<p><i>Port / Thanet Colleges</i></p> <p><i>EKHR</i></p> <p><i>Food Team (signposting information during inspection visits?).</i></p> <p><i>Open Spaces</i></p> <p><i>Procurement</i></p>	<p><i>University of Greenwich</i></p> <p><i>TDC Staff</i></p> <p><i>Local Business</i></p> <p><i>Woodland Trust / Community Groups / KCC Registrars</i></p> <p><i>Suppliers</i></p> <p><i>Staff</i></p>

	<i>Reduce use of TDC buildings through agile working - Home working and Hot-desking?</i>	<i>Reduce heating / lighting and unnecessary staff travel (ie. emissions)</i>					<i>EKHR / Facilities</i>	
<b>Parks and Open Spaces</b>								
<b>Area of focus</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed</b>	<b>Timescales</b>	<b>Financial implications :Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?</b>	<b>Lead officer</b>	<b>Other departments involved</b>	<b>External stakeholders</b>
Natural environment-Trees	Tree planting potential areas identified and mapped.	Able to use this information to inform a tree strategy for Thanet-ensuring right species in the right places for the long term.	Proposed		External funding to bid for.	Planning and Arboricultural officer		community groups
Biodiversity/eco system protections through non invasive processes	Reduce use of pesticides/ weedkillers- slow phasing out	Reduced impact on natural environment	Proposed		Potentially alternatives ongoing costs funded within existing budget with one off	Open Spaces Manager		

					equipment purchase possibly from capital.			
<b>Waste, Recycling &amp; Street Cleansing</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications :Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Waste/resource management								
Waste and resources	Consider commissioning waste composition analysis - last one undertaken in 2015/16	To understand up to date resident recycling behaviours and composition of domestic waste streams produced in Thanet. To set achievable performance targets. Use to inform comms/ projects to drive to 50% recycling.	Proposed-partner with other EK Councils for efficiency	Early 2020 decision	Funding required circa £20K- not budgeted	Waste & recycling manager	Comms	KCC/Dover/ Folkestone/ Canterbury

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Litter/recycling	Explore on street recycling pilot	Diversion of viable recyclate from litter street/beach arisings	Proposed	2020 project	Funding required-look to KRP for support	Waste & recycling manager	Street cleansing	KRP/other councils
Single use plastics	Promoting waste hierarchy of reduce and re-use. Changing view of waste to resource. Input into deposit return scheme (DRS) as it develops nationally.	Reduction in waste produced, increase in recycling rate.	Proposed	KRP comms calendar?	KRP	Waste & recycling manager	Comms/ Waste & recycling	KRP
Re-use at KCC HWRC sites	Explore swap shop/ diversion of items at HWRC- before they get tipped	Less materials ending up at tip that could be re-used.	Proposed-consultation planned	TBC	KCC	KCC waste liaison	Comms	Members/residents
<b>Operational Services- Fleet management</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications :Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Energy/emissions	Fuel efficiencies to be made from changing driver behaviour. Using new tracking software on vehicles to analyse idling and acceleration etc	Reduced emissions	Proposed	SupaTrak requested with arrival of new fleet 2020	Proposed part of spec-capital?	Transport / fleet manager	Procurement	Software product provider
Energy/emissions	Get quotes for electric vehicles including approx 11 xRCVs	Reduced emissions	Proposed	TBC- 7 years replacement timescale	Capital vehicle replacement programme	Transport / fleet manager	Procurement	Manufacturers

Facilities								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications :Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Internal resource efficiencies across offices and satellite sites.	Energy savings, the way we use our electric and Gas, looking at more efficient lighting and how we reduce usage in turning things off. Possibility for a green energy supplier.	LED lighting is being implemented within the office areas, gas savings to be made by adjusting settings and timer controls	LED lighting has started mainly in meeting rooms but will be extended to main offices on a rolling programme, gas settings have been adjusted and will monitor future fuel costs	LED replacement 2023		Facilities Manager		
Procurement of resources across offices and satellite sites.	Encourage use of keep cups and refillables. Do we need the vending machine? If so get rid of plastic products from it. Purchase greener alternatives, recycled products. Encourage paperless and reduce printing quotas!	Less impact from TDC staff, promoting positive environmental behaviours, leading by example.	Proposed	Work towards Apr 2020 start-phased approach	To be managed within budget-efficiencies from less paper, cups,	Facilities Manager	ALL	Your leisure already doing this.

					vending contract etc need to be understood. May offset higher price of recycled products as example?			
<b>Coastal/Foreshores &amp; Thanet Coast Project</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications :Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
<b>Natural environment-Biodiversity support and protection</b>								
North East Kent Marine Protected Area (NEKMPA): marine and coastal environment	Programme of actions - from awareness raising to projects for the NEKMPA	To maintain coastal and marine habitats - including designated marine & bird species - in a favourable condition	Started with launch of Management Scheme, Action Plans, and Thanet Coast Project in 2001	Continuing with 6 year action plans. To be agreed: 2019-24	No budget/ Statutory 'Relevant Authority' role	Thanet Coast Project Officer	All Departments with coastal remit (Coast/ Estates/ Coastal Engineers/ Open	10 'Relevant Authorities' form the Management Group & links with local community

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							Spaces/ Harbours/ Communit ySafety-Ev ents)	
Thanet Coast Project	<p><b>Raise awareness of the important marine and bird life</b>,and how to avoid damaging them</p> <p><b>Work with local people to safeguard coastal wildlife</b></p> <p><b>Encourage and run wildlife related events</b></p> <p><b>Focal point for enquiries and gathering information &amp; Keeping everyone informed</b></p>	Education event programme: a) public events (20/yr); b) community events (12/yr)	<p>Annual programme of awareness raising event; website &amp; social media</p> <p>(avoiding damage - see Thanet coastal codes; for volunteering - see Thanet Coastal Warden/Guardia n Scheme below)</p>	Annual programme	Funding required from 2020	Thanet Coast Project Officer	TDC Events team approval required	<p>Coastal Community</p> <p>NEKMPA Management Group /Advisory Group</p>
Thanet Coastal Codes	Produce and implement a set of voluntary Coastal Codes to help safeguard the area's coastline and wildlife of the NE Kent MPA	These codes help people to reduce our impact on the environment, whilst encouraging people to use the coast responsibly and safely.	<p><b>Seashore Code</b></p> <p><b>Bait Digging &amp; Collecting Code</b></p> <p><b>Dog Walking Code</b></p>	First codes started in 2002. Reviews update coastal codes and introduce new ones where needed	No budget/ Statutory 'Relevant Authority' role	Thanet Coast Project Officer		10 'Relevant Authorities' form the Management Group & links with local recreational & community groups

			<b>Field Trip Code</b> <b>Horse Riding Code</b> <b>Marine Wildlife Watching Code</b> <b>Powercraft Activities Code</b> <b>Shellfish Harvesting and Fixed Netting Code</b> <b>Shore Angling Code</b> <b>Wind powered activities</b> <b>Seaweed Harvesting Code</b> <b>Fossil Code</b>	Also additional local agreements - Bait digging & Kitesurfing				
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<p>Volunteer engagement and involvement on looking after the coastal and marine environment</p>	<p>Thanet Coastal Warden Scheme (Guardians) - monitoring, reporting, action &amp; awareness raising events</p>	<p>Network of volunteers (eyes &amp; ears of the coast) helping keep in a favourable</p> <p>In particular:  a) Monitoring recreational activity pressures; and where coastal codes are broken or wildlife disturbance;  b) reporting incidents for the authorities to deal with straight away  c) Educational awareness raising through a series of local events and activities</p>	<p>Set up in 2004</p>	<p>Continuing</p>	<p>Funding Required from 2020</p>	<p>Thanet Coast Project Officer</p>	<p>Reports to NEKMPA Management Group</p>	<p>Coastal Community Volunteers</p>
<p>Non-native marine species control</p>	<p>Volunteer task teams trained and run tasks to tackle spread of non-native marine species (due to warmer seas)</p>	<p>Control of the spread of a) Pacific Oysters and b) Wireweed in targeted locations on</p>	<p>Control work on an annual monthly programme over low tides</p>	<p>Continuing (started 2007)</p>	<p>External funding (2-ends 2020)</p>	<p>Thanet Coast Project Officer / Assistant Harbour Master</p>	<p>Team 1) Natural England; Team 2) Kent Wildlife Trust</p>	<p>Volunteers</p>

		the Thanet Coast					(Guardians of the Deep)	
<b>Press &amp; Communications</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications :Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Across all focus headings- <b>engagement</b>	Comms to attend KRP resident comms	to increase resident comms on waste and recycling behaviour change issues needed.	Comms managers workshop planned date TBC	Date TBC but ongoing comms calendar shared and underway for seasonal campaigns	KRP funded-district contribution made annually	Press team	Op services	KRP members
<b>Community Development</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales		Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Health and Wellbeing	Bikeability schemes for YP being co-developed with KCC, staff wellbeing cycling promotion	Increased bicycle usage, reduced emissions	Proposed	By Spring 2020	Externally funded/internal staff wellbeing funded by Sports Development budget	Community Development Officer	Environmental Protection (advisory)	KCC, Your Leisure

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Health and Wellbeing	Clean Air Strategy project	Increased walking and bicycle usage, reduced emissions, community development including employability	Proposed	Funds available to KCC in April 2020, likely Summer 2020 earliest	Central Govt funded via KCC	Community Development Officer	Environmental Protection	DfT, KCC, various others
<b>Policy</b>								
Area of focus	Action	Outcome	Progress-Started/Planned/Proposed	Timescales	Financial implications :Already budgeted/ external funding achieved or identified/ funding required?	Lead officer	Other departments involved	External stakeholders
Across all focus headings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Council is Compliant with any new legislative measures</li> </ul>	Update Policies, Strategies & Protocols to reflect new legislation.	Policies, Strategies and Protocols reflect any new legislative changes.	Ongoing - Dependent on Parliamentary timetable.	Ongoing		Dependent on what service area the legislative changes relate to.	Climate Change Officer Working Group.	Dependent on what service area the legislative changes relate to.
Other existing policy-international/national: -Paris	Maintain a watching brief as changes develop across these policies and provide updates to service areas.	Services aware of all relevant current legislation and potential	COP 26- UN 2020 climate summit				Climate Change Officer Working Group.	

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<p>Agreement -Convention on Biological Diversity, Sustainable Development Goals</p> <p>-Climate Change Act 2008</p> <p>-Clean Growth Strategy</p> <p>-25 Year Environment Plan</p> <p>-Resource and Waste Strategy 2018</p> <p>-Planning Act 2008</p>		<p>impact of changes on horizon</p>	<p>General Election</p>					
<p>Linking to Kent Climate Change Network (CCN) and Kent Environment Strategy (KES)</p>	<p>Attending CCN meetings and input</p>	<p>To keep up to date on Kent wide strategy, tools and best practice.</p>	<p>Planned- next meeting in January</p>			<p>TBC</p>		<p>Kent Councils within the network</p>
<p>Coordination and delivery of the Council's climate change response and this action plan</p>	<p>Recruit a climate change officer</p>	<p>Coordination of the response for TDC, ensuring joined up approach, all stakeholders engaged, good governance. Act as the spoc</p>	<p>Proposed</p>	<p>ASAP</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Current officer lead for the subject</p>	<p>All depts on this plan.</p>	<p>See other councils- Dover already have one, Canterbury just recruited.</p>

		for the growing workload this subject is generating						
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