



North Kesteven
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Climate Emergency Action Plan Quarter 3 2024-25 Progress Update Details

North Kesteven District Council

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Details


*Dates have been revised from the Original dates.

Climate Emergency Action Plan

Activity: 2.1.1.1 Investigate options for additional climate training for select colleagues (#10a)

NKDC

Climate Action

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
NKDC Colleague Knowledge & Awareness	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Completed	100	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:


Climate Training for colleagues has been published for all staff to complete. Information on various and preferred training options for selected members has taken place, with a climate training being provided for the Exec Board and other members in Jan 2025. Further climate information continues to be shared from a variety of sources with all members.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.1.2.1 Promote opportunities to increase member climate knowledge and awareness, covering the climate emergency and just transition to net zero (#1b)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Councillor Climate Engagement	Elected Member Support	Lisa Tidy - Democratic Services Manager	01-Apr-2023	31-Mar-2028	Completed	100	35.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

Introductory training session provided to Members. Exploring providers to deliver more in depth training. As part of a review of this CEAP action, the wording has been amended as there is no suitable training available for Members on Carbon Literacy. On this basis, Democratic Services with the support of the Climate Manager have started to share external learning opportunities relating to climate emergency in a generic sense and with introduction of Member Champion there is an increased awareness amongst Members of the topic.

Suitable training has been identified with APSE and training booked for 21st January 2025. Members were offered training which was attended by ten Councillors.

Last Updated: 30-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.1.2.2 Share regular climate information with Cllrs via the Members Link e-newsletter to keep Cllrs informed about NKDC's climate emergency response efforts and wider climate action context (#11a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Councillor Climate Engagement	Elected Member Support	Lisa Tidy - Democratic Services Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	70	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments: Advertising opportunities through Members Link. Dates being explored to support Member training.
Cllr Head providing introductions in his role as Climate Member Champion in October and November 2024.
Cllr Head has successfully held one introductory session and another is scheduled for Monday 11th November.
Feedback from the Member Training which took place on 21st January 2025 will be reviewed to check understanding of those who attended.

Last Updated: 30-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.2.1.1 Develop a net zero jargon buster to share key climate information with colleagues through internal communications channels. (#12a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Knowledge & Awareness	External and Internal Communication	Helen Pack - Communications Officer	01-Apr-2024	30-Sep-2024	In Progress	75	100.00	

Activity Progress Comments:

Draft version nearing completion, to be approved soon in order to publish alongside new CES and CEAP.

Last Updated: 29-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.2.1.2 Investigate opportunities and build an understanding of how NKDC could look to lobby government to help North Kesteven work towards achieving a just transition to net zero. (#13a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Knowledge & Awareness	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Jul-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	67	67.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:


We have worked with Anthesis to clarify areas where obstacles exist, within our 9 themes, against net zero ambitions. A review of our key lobbying topics has been reviewed and will be included within the updated Climate Emergency Strategy, and will be included within the Councillor training in Jan 2025.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.2.1.3 Update council letterhead statements to encourage mindful recycling of outgoing council letters and paper. (#14a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Knowledge & Awareness	External and Internal Communication	Jason Hippisley - Communications and Media Manager	01-Apr-2024	30-Jun-2024	Completed	100	100.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:


A footer has been applied to the corporate letterhead stating: 'This letter is printed onto paper from sustainable sources. We use both recycled and FSC certified paper. If you don't need to retain it, please recycle within your paper and card collection. In Lincolnshire that's the purple-lidded bin'
It also included the Act On brand for familiarisation.
This will be rolled out onto all new stock of letterhead paper as it is printed. At general rates of use, the first emergence is likely to be around mid-November.

Last Updated: 15-Oct-2024

Activity: 2.2.1.4 Investigate opportunities to establish a framework of climate champions in each division or team to provide climate support and overcome silos. (#15a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Knowledge & Awareness	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	90	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

Options for the climate champion framework are being explored to understand how these roles can take shape in a way that complements existing climate action structures and the work of the SMT climate theme champions. The aspirations for this action are to have climate champions within all divisions and across a wide range of teams to help bring together different perspectives and expertise to progress climate initiatives that help to reduce council and/or district emissions. Discussions have taken place with colleagues to understand the best approach, with the topic raised in a CEAPP meeting to discuss how representatives would work across directorates.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.2.2.1 Deliver the Climate Emergency Communications and Engagement Plan. (#2b)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Community Engagement	External and Internal Communication	Helen Pack - Communications Officer	01-Apr-2022	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	90	92.00	

**Activity Progress
Comments:**

Communications team resource continues to work on Climate Change projects 2 days per week.

Last Updated: 27-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.3.1.1 With the support of a working group, develop a new Social Value Policy to support sustainable procurement to align with the just transition to net zero. (#16a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Council Service Delivery	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Oct-2024	30-Jun-2025	In Progress	10	33.00	

**Activity Progress
Comments:**


Outline research has been undertaken, however, due to realigned priorities within the Climate Change Team, this work will initiate at a later date.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.3.2.1 Work in partnership with Lincolnshire County Council to support the development and delivery of a county-wide adaptation plan, representing North Kesteven's interests in this work. (#17a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
District Climate Resilience and Emergency Response	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Jul-2024	31-Mar-2026	In Progress	50	29.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

The Climate Change Team has participated in a regional workshop, led by LCC, which will see a Lincolnshire Adaptation Plan. We have also provided feedback during further online consultation. We are now awaiting the final document to be published.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.4.1.1 Identify opportunities to deliver/facilitate training to upskill colleagues and residents involved in the social housing retrofit programme, including assisting residents in retrofitted properties to learn how to best utilise new technologies to live affordably. (#18a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Council Housing	Planned Maintenance of the Council's Housing Stock	Simon Robinson - Development & Zero Carbon Manager	01-Apr-2023	31-Mar-2025	Completed	100	88.00	

Activity Progress Comments:

All properties programmed for completion in 23/24 year have been completed and delivery of the training to assist residents to decarbonise their homes is now also complete.


For year 24/25 205 properties have been completed at the end of October which is the end of the proposed programme. A further 100 properties are now due to be delivered from October 2024 to March 2025 to take the benefit of other consortium members not being able to deliver.

Last Updated: 29-Oct-2024

Activity: 2.4.1.2 Commission a programme of individual surveys on programmed social housing retrofit properties to establish bespoke retrofit requirements & associated true costs. (#19a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Council Housing	Planned Maintenance of the Council's Housing Stock	Simon Robinson - Development & Zero Carbon Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Completed	100	75.00	

Activity Progress Comments: 581 of 581 surveys have been completed at the end of October 2024. The team are now working on the next wave of surveys for delivery in 2025.

Last Updated: 29-Oct-2024

Activity: 2.4.1.3 Conduct a 12-month monitoring exercise to assess the real-life effectiveness and associated costs of running retrofit measures installed in social housing through the retrofit programme. (#20a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Council Housing	Planned Maintenance of the Council's Housing Stock	Simon Robinson - Development & Zero Carbon Manager	01-Apr-2024	30-Jun-2025	In Progress	75	60.00	

Activity Progress Comments:

The monitoring equipment has been installed to certain properties and the 12 month monitoring of the effectiveness is due to take place in March 2025.

Last Updated: 30-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.4.2.1 Establish outline costs for decarbonising and understanding the pathway to net zero for the council's corporate building stock. (#21a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Council Non-Domestic Buildings	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	75	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:


The Climate Change Team is working with Neuer to align key sites within the system. Key sites have been identified and uploaded onto the system. Verification and clarification of correct data sets is still underway (ensuring we are pulling the correct readings from the correct meters). We will be working through the Neuer system to understand how we can pull through relevant data.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.4.3.1 Work with other Lincolnshire authorities to help residents access government schemes (as available) - to scale up efforts to deliver energy efficiency measures and support for residents to use/swap to low emissions heating solutions. (#22a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Existing Private Housing	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Oct-2022	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	90	90.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

NKDC is working as part of a wider consortium to deliver the Home Upgrade Grant(HUG) 2 scheme. This funding stream provides grants to means tested off-gas properties with EPCs between (D)/E-G. At the end of Q3, 43 properties have been completed in NK, with estimated carbon savings of 110tCO2. Due to the timescales of ensuring delivery before the end of the financial year, no further referrals are taking place. We are currently working as a consortium to understand our pathway to access Warm Homes: Local Grant funding.

NKDC is also working alongside consortium members to support ECO4Flex and GBISflex and have processed 49 ECOflex applications in NKDC so far.

We are also delivering the Local Energy Advice Demonstrator (LEAD) funding, secured from MNZH/DESNZ, to support hard to treat/hard to reach residents to access available funding opportunities.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.5.1.1 Conduct an annual staff travel survey to collect data on how staff travel to inform efforts to support more sustainable travel options to reduce emissions and reduce the need for staff to own and use a car for work. (#23a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Driving Less	Strategic HR	Christine Saunders - HR Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Completed	100	75.00	

**Activity Progress
Comments:**

The learnings will be included in the 2025/26 Our People Action Plan.

Last Updated: 17-Dec-2024

Activity: 2.5.1.2 Review sustainable options for agile working. (#24a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Driving Less	Strategic HR	Christine Saunders - HR Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	75	75.00	

Activity Progress

The Investors in People learnings have now been received and the final review is scheduled to commence in February following the arrival of the new Chief Executive. Climate Change Team Comment: This action has been extended for the CEAP 2025/26.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.5.2.1 Scope options for Electric Vehicle and Electric Vehicle infrastructure delivery within the remit of an EV Action Plan for the District in support of the county wide approach. (#3b)

District

Climate Action

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Switching to Electric Vehicles	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Oct-2024	30-Sep-2025	Deferred	10	25.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

Action deferred as focus is now on NKDC locations that can be made available to the public and helping communities to access funding to install EVCPs as needed.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.5.2.2 Establish a preferred option for Kesteven Street carpark Electric Vehicle ChargePoint installation. (#26a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Switching to Electric Vehicles	Asset and Facilities Management	Ruth Denton - Asset Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Completed	100	75.00	

**Activity Progress
Comments:**


EV charger location and Contractor secured (Contractor is Equans) and currently seeking three quotes, the installation of EV chargers is part of Social Value from our Housing retrofit programme.
Date for EV chargers to be installed will be in 2025/26.

Last Updated: 30-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.5.2.3 Complete a cost benefit analysis and review of current Depot EV stock with outcomes to be used to inform future fleet decisions. (#27a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Switching to Electric Vehicles	Refuse and Recycling	Nina Camm - Waste and Street Scene Manager	01-Apr-2024	30-Sep-2024	In Progress	80	100.00	

Activity Progress Comments:

24/9/24 - EV charging points were installed in the autumn of 2022. One of the chargers has faulted continuously with numerous engineer visits and parts exchanged.
Finally in August 2024 both chargers are fully working and work has begun to determine both their effectiveness and how the vehicles are performing against their diesel alternatives.
21/10/24 - Working with the Excite team, we should soon be able to provide information
30/1/25 - An interim report has been produced more focused on potential of more solar panels on the roof to maximise savings and potential income generation.
The report didn't address the effectiveness of the electric vehicles in depth.
Work undertaken by the team to review mileage and performance anecdotally would not support the purchase of more electric vans based upon:
Performance of the vehicles - range not fulfilling the daily task if weather conditions are inclement
Availability of recharging in the district - only 2 suitable locations have been found which require us to model the routes around the vehicle not the other way round
Reliability of the charging infrastructure - poor reliability of the charging points has impacted on service delivery along with significant resource chasing company and resolving problems
There is no proposal at this time to replace any further vehicles with an electric option.
I shall be attending a seminar in Nottingham in the spring to see how others have embraced the technology and a further report will be submitted.

Last Updated: 30-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.5.2.4 Complete a scoping exercise to determine how best to explore future EVCP installations in council owned car parks, in alignment with ongoing work associated with the car parks strategy. (#28a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Switching to Electric Vehicles	Excite	Karl Flood - Excite Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	40	50.00	

Activity Progress

Review of asset register taking place and research being completed on EVCP installations.

Comments:

01/2025 - Research of EVCP installations completed and review of Asset Register. 6 car parks owned - Westgate, Station Road, Moneys Yard, Church Lane, Cogglesford Mill, Duke Street. Further scoping to be completed. Decision taken to focus on Station Road and Cogglesford Mill due to location and how busy they are. To investigate costings for surveys and installation.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.6.1.1 Share and sign-post information and best practice on sustainable food consumption. (#29a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Food and Agriculture	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Completed	100	75.00	

**Activity Progress
Comments:**


A webpage with information on sustainable food is now made available online: <https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/climate-change/natural-environment/sustainable-food>

Last Updated: 18-Oct-2024

Activity: 2.6.2.1 Investigate opportunities to increase tree cover in our district, ensuring the targets for tree planting and canopy coverage from the Tree Strategy are met. (#4b)

District

Climate Action

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Increased Tree Coverage and Planting	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Apr-2023	31-Mar-2026	In Progress	60	58.00	

Activity Progress Comments:


Discussions have taken place to understand how this approach may coincide with other development opportunities and existing strategies, such as the Tree Strategy. Discussions through the Climate Change Action Plan Panel have clarified that the Planning and Enforcement Team will be reviewing the Tree Strategy and targets, with the CCT supported in the development of this document. Analysis has been conducted to establish potential sites; some of which have been surveyed and an estimated up to 900 trees could be planted on our own land from the initial analysis. This approach is being developed further. We were successful in securing funding for the Coronation Living Heritage Fund, which provides funding to plant community orchards – we have delivered 85 trees and continue to get further applications. This funding originally needed to be delivered by March 2025, but a further year extension has been offered. We are also working with wider council colleagues to support the planting of 50 trees in recognition of NKDCs 50th anniversary. This has been publicised and the deadline has recently been extended.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.6.3.1 Community projects - enabling delivery of nature improvement and regeneration projects which maximise co-benefits and opportunities for renewable energy generation. (#5b)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Land Use Management and Biodiversity Improvement	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Oct-2022	31-Mar-2026	In Progress	70	64.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

The Community Climate and Biodiversity Officer (CCBO) is supporting the delivery of the Coronation Living Heritage Fund and has been providing information on various community funding streams and further develop opportunities. Information for community groups to access funding to support community projects (including renewable energy generation opportunities) have been made available on the NKDCs website as part of the climate information webpage update (<https://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/climate-change/funding-finder>). The CCBO will support parish councils/community groups to access and develop biodiversity community projects as part of the Climate Emergency Strategy Board.

In particular, the CCBO is working to support the delivery of a social prescribing scheme in Ruskington, which will also see nature and biodiversity improvements once delivered.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.6.3.2 Continue to engage with NKDC tenants to understand how they would like land within NKDC housing developments to be managed to support opportunities to increase green infrastructure and biodiversity in communal open spaces, and to support climate adaptation as part of the just transition to net zero. (#30a)

NKDC

Climate Action

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Land Use Management and Biodiversity Improvement	Tenant Participation and Community Engagement	Caroline Smith - Housing Quality Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Deferred	80	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

Tenants views on the Councils climate actions and use of communal spaces were sought in 2023, as additional questions within the TSM survey. From this survey specific interested communities were identified. Followed by further work undertaken during 2024/2025 with a small number of local communities determining local action and achieving outcome. From this a programme for Activity 2.6.3.3 has been defined, and will extend into 2025/2026

Last Updated: 24-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.6.3.3 Develop a process to support the delivery of measures which improve biodiversity and climate adaptation in social housing communal open spaces based on tenant engagement outcomes, with a focus on co-benefits for tenants. (#31a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Land Use Management and Biodiversity Improvement	Tenant Participation and Community Engagement	Caroline Smith - Housing Quality Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2026	Deferred	75	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:


Following on from Activity 2.6.3.2 - from tenants views gathered, further work has been undertaken during 2024/2025 with a small number of local communities to determine local action. To date planting, benches and support for community garden has been progressed. This work with local communities will continue in 2025/2025

Last Updated: 24-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.6.3.4 Support the review of the Open Space Strategy with a consideration to increase biodiversity as part of future grounds maintenance best practice. (#32a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Land Use Management and Biodiversity Improvement	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	75	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

Activities and outline steps have been assessed and discussed at the Climate Emergency Action Plan Panel meeting. It was agreed that initial steps would involve clarifying land in our ownership and land that we maintain that we do not own. An outline report, suggested approach for how we manage this consideration, is being produced before consulting with key colleagues who are expected to be impacted by any amended decision. This work is supported by the recent Environment Policy that was approved at Exec Board in July 2024. Details were shared and discussions took place on 7th Nov 2025, during CEAPP, where feedback and advice were offered.

A discussion between impacted Directors/ADs is due to take place in Q4 to agree a deliverable approach. An outline report and communication gantt chart has been produced to enable this discussion.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.6.4.1 Develop and deliver campaigns which encourage the reduction of air pollution across the District to improve air quality. (#25a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Improving the natural environment and reducing pollution	Pollution Control	Mark Stuart - Environmental Health Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	75	75.00	

Activity Progress

Currently in the process of targeting properties identified by the drone to provide bespoke advice and guidance


Comments:

Last Updated: 20-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.7.1.1 Investigate site and land options for renewable energy projects on council owned land. Produce proposal reports, to consider options, and project plans. (#6b)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Support renewable energy uptake and explore generation opportunities	Excite	Karl Flood - Excite Manager	01-Jul-2022	31-Mar-2026	Completed	100	67.00	

Activity Progress Comments:

As previously report, the ExCITe Team continue to explore opportunities for renewable energy projects on council-owned land, with a current focus on opportunities at Sleaford Moor Enterprise Park (SMEP). Possibilities for renewable energy generation at Plot 4 and Plot 5 at SMEP (Phase 2) are being explored. Private wire direct connections and grid connection options will both be considered. National Grid delays for grid connections are noted as this will significantly impact any form of renewable energy export to the grid. Work continues with businesses that have expressed an interest in occupying the site. At this stage this is still focused on the core viability of occupancy. Should these be satisfied, further discussions are planned around energy needs and options to provide this via the above.

We have now had it confirmed by National Grid that a permanent connection should be in place in October 2024. The ExCITe team can then investigate further. 10/2024 - National Grid are due to start with a permanent connection to SMEP at the end of this month. We are then applying for the Export Guarantee to generate income. A refresh of solar panels on plot 5 is also to be undertaken shortly as we may have a tenant on plot 2 that will be energy hungry and a private wire can be installed. We have also requested and are awaiting a copy of the land register which details the land the Council owns to investigate other potential renewable energy projects.

01/2025 - Purchase of plot 2 to a power hungry business is proceeding well. Plot 5 solar farm (3.78MW) with direct wire is moving forward and we are awaiting further information from purchaser re electrical need before we can move forward further.

Issues with proving ownership of units and solar panels (As well as meter readings) are holding up SEG with Solar Panels on SMEP plot 1. Awaiting info from Eco Dev / Contractor.

Working with Eco Dev re remainder of commercial portfolio. Currently awaiting updates with what work will be needed for improving EPC ratings before solar panels can be moved forward.

Remainder of land options reviewed and the only primary site is the field next to Metheringham Depot. Major limitations with Grid Capacity as will only have 50KW available until grid upgraded in at least 10 years. Currently investigating possibility of private wires from the field to local businesses, although this will be in conjunction with new solar panels on roofs.


01/2025 - NKDC's land assets, particularly the open spaces and larger land areas, are valuable resources for the district. As part of the ongoing asset management and planning process, these areas should be periodically assessed to ensure they are being utilized effectively to serve the community, promote environmental sustainability, and support the district's growth. However, while these areas may hold potential for development, the majority of the land currently owned by NKDC is not suitable for such purposes.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.7.1.2 Complete a scoping exercise to explore what opportunities for carbon credits associated with social housing solar PV installations would involve. (#33a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Support renewable energy uptake and explore generation opportunities	Excite	Karl Flood - Excite Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Completed	100	50.00	

Activity Progress

Continuing in-depth research into carbon credits and how these could be utilised with social housing solar PV installations.

Comments:

01/2025 - Research completed. After extensive investigation and scoping, we have confirmed that we are not eligible to meet the criteria for applying for carbon credits to use the funds towards solar PV on social houses as we have the funds to progress with these ourselves. Plus the administration and paperwork required is excessive as well as the variable nature of the pricing of carbon credits is a risk investment. We have also looked into generating income from carbon credits and due to the very low rate of return, annual charges and for them to be deemed more for social benefit rather than income generated then we are not looking to take these further.

Last Updated: 28-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.8.1.1 Promote climate and sustainability information to businesses to encourage them to reduce their emissions, improve their sustainability, and explore options to scale up renewable energy generation. (#7b)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Supporting Businesses to Improve Energy/Fuel Efficiency and Shift Away from Fossil Fuel Technologies	Economic Development	Suzanne Feneley - Economic Development Manager	01-Jul-2022	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	95	91.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:


This is an ongoing commitment. We will promote all available business support where it is appropriate to do so. We partnered with Zellar to support micro and SMEs with CO2 reduction and sustainability support, 33 NK companies have been assisted to date. This programme was complemented by using UKSPF monies to support capital investment in businesses to facilitate reducing their carbon footprint. We are also using UKSPF to support the Growth Hub to continue to offer specialist support to our business community, which includes promoting carbon neutral and energy efficiency measures. We have also provided financial support to Destination Lincolnshire, and one of their key areas of business advice is to deliver a greener energy focus for tourism businesses, they provided a green workshop that assisted 17 businesses. A successful 'Green' event (Prosperity, Potential, Planet: Solutions for your Business' took place in September 2024, this included 26 exhibitors, 5 speaker sessions, business networking including a networking breakfast & lunch, 1-2-1 Advisory Sessions and peer to peer support opportunities to provide businesses with a range of information on sustainability and carbon reduction measures, 72 businesses attended the event. Finally, a sustainability session was held with the LN6 business group whereby 22 business attended.

Last Updated: 17-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.8.1.2 Develop opportunities from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund & Rural Prosperity Fund for the identification and delivery of net zero aligned activities and opportunities for biodiversity improvement. (#34a)

Climate Action

District

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Supporting Businesses to Improve Energy/Fuel Efficiency and Shift Away from Fossil Fuel Technologies	Economic Development	Suzanne Feneley - Economic Development Manager	01-Jul-2022	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	95	91.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

We are continuing to use some of the REPF monies to offer up grants to local businesses and communities to improve their sustainability and reduce their carbon footprint, with 6 business grants awarded totalling c£224,481K and 26 community grants totalling £260,361 awarded. We are also using UKSPF to support the Growth Hub to continue to offer specialist support to our business community, which includes promoting carbon neutral and energy efficiency measures. We have also provided financial support to Destination Lincolnshire, and one of their key areas of business advice is to deliver a greener energy focus for tourism businesses, they provided a green workshop that assisted 17 businesses. A successful 'Green' event (Prosperity, Potential, Planet: Solutions for your Business' took place in September 2024, this included 26 exhibitors, 5 speaker sessions, business networking including a networking breakfast & lunch, 1-2-1 Advisory Sessions and peer to peer support opportunities to provide businesses with a range of information on sustainability and carbon reduction measures, 72 businesses attended the event. Finally a sustainability session was held with the LN6 business group and 22 businesses attended.

Last Updated: 17-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.9.1.1 To organise regular meetings to develop the pathway for creating new 'Property and Asset Procedure Rules' to support wider corporate governance. (#9b)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Reduce - Reuse - Recycle	Corporate and Civic Support	Jennifer Swift - Democratic Strategy and Engagement Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	Deferred	54	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:


Due to the limited capacity and opportunity to align availability and competing demands within a cross-department working group, progress has been stalled. In addition, it became clear quite quickly that this document needed to navigate quite complex issues - as assets have various 'owners' through NKDC and are managed in various ways. Therefore pulling these together into one document has proved very difficult. Expert knowledge is required. This action will be removed for 2025/26. However, there is still an aspiration for this document to be developed in the future.

Last Updated: 10-Jan-2025

Activity: 2.9.1.2 Promote the importance of effective office recycling to colleagues within the NKDC main office, including ways to minimise waste generation in alignment with the Waste Hierarchy. (#35a)

Climate Action

NKDC

Ambition	Function	Responsible Person	Start Date	End Date	Status	% Complete	Target	Performance
Reduce - Reuse - Recycle	Our Environment	Ania Campbell - Climate Change Manager	01-Apr-2024	31-Mar-2025	In Progress	75	75.00	

Activity Progress

Comments:

Following on from initial discussion in Q1, the Climate Change Team is working with asset management to understand existing access to recycling bins throughout the office, and identify any potential barriers to office recycling. Following this recycling bin audit, we will begin developing a recycling communications campaign for all colleagues alongside resources to assist them with recycling e.g. locating their nearest recycling point. Agreed promotional material or campaign will depend on the new proposed approach for replacing recycling bins in the offices.

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