

Horsham  
District  
Council

# Horsham Association of Local Council's AGM – 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## Action on Climate Change

Adam Chalmers & Helen Peacock

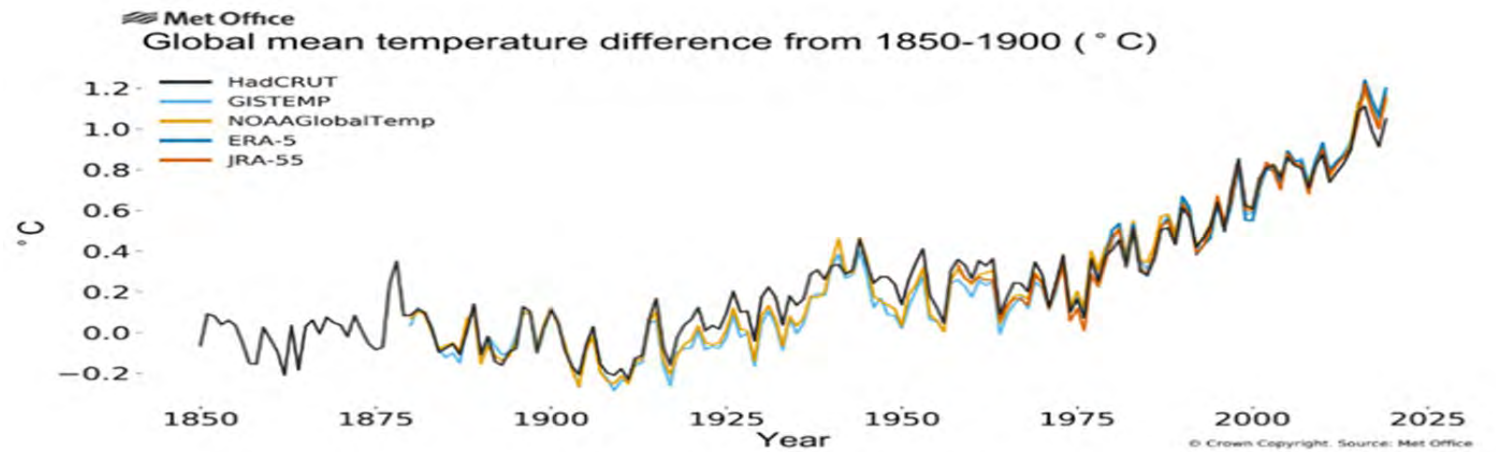
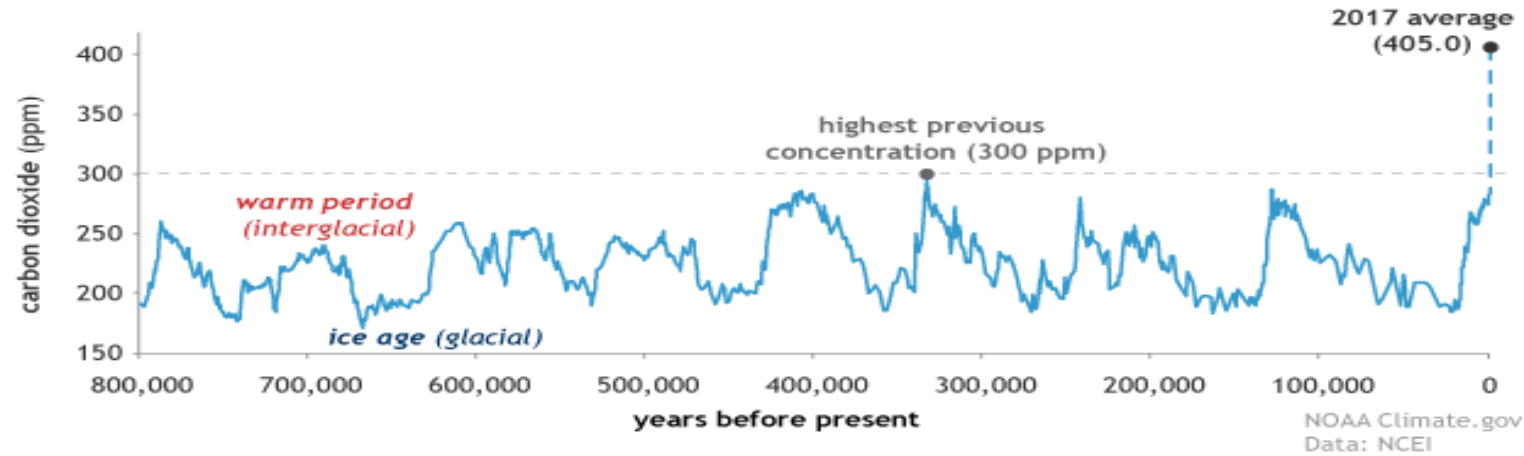
# Notice of Motion – June 2019

“We agree that there is growing public concern in the face of recent dire warnings from the World Scientific community that we are facing a wide range of environmental issues **including a climate emergency**. These concerns include matters such as pollution of the oceans, climate change, single-use plastics, disposal of waste, air pollution, deforestation and biodiversity loss and we support action to tackle these matters.

This council has an excellent record of dealing with environmental matters, particularly in the area of waste, recycling and biodiversity and we shall be **developing and auditing the council’s activities to see what further practical changes we can implement in the form of a plan to reflect best environmental practice and work towards a net zero carbon target.**

We acknowledge that we shall need to continue with **public engagement and involvement** and that resources will be required to underpin and support new initiatives that we undertake”.

CO<sub>2</sub> during ice ages and warm periods for the past 800,000 years





UNITED NATIONS  
**PARIS CLIMATE  
 AGREEMENT**  
 SIGNING CEREMONY  
 — 22 APRIL 2016 —



EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO  
 THE CLIMATE CHANGE ACT 2008 (2050 TARGET AMENDMENT) ORDER 2019  
 2019 No. [XXXX]

**1. Introduction**

1.1 This explanatory memorandum has been prepared by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and is laid before Parliament by Command of Her Majesty.

1.2 This memorandum contains information for the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

**2. Purpose of the instrument**

2.1 Section 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008 (2050 Target) (the 2008 Act) sets the target for reducing the United Kingdom's net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

**3. Matters of special interest**

*Matters of special interest*

3.1 The instrument amends the 2008 Act to provide for the United Kingdom to meet its net zero emissions target by 2050.

*Matters relevant to the Committee on Climate Change*

3.2 The instrument amends the 2008 Act to provide for the Committee on Climate Change to report to the Secretary of State on the progress of the United Kingdom in meeting its net zero emissions target.

3.3 The powers conferred on the Secretary of State by the instrument are limited to the exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by section 99 of the 2008 Act.

**4. Extent and territorial scope**

4.1 The instrument extends to the United Kingdom.

4.2 The instrument also extends to the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

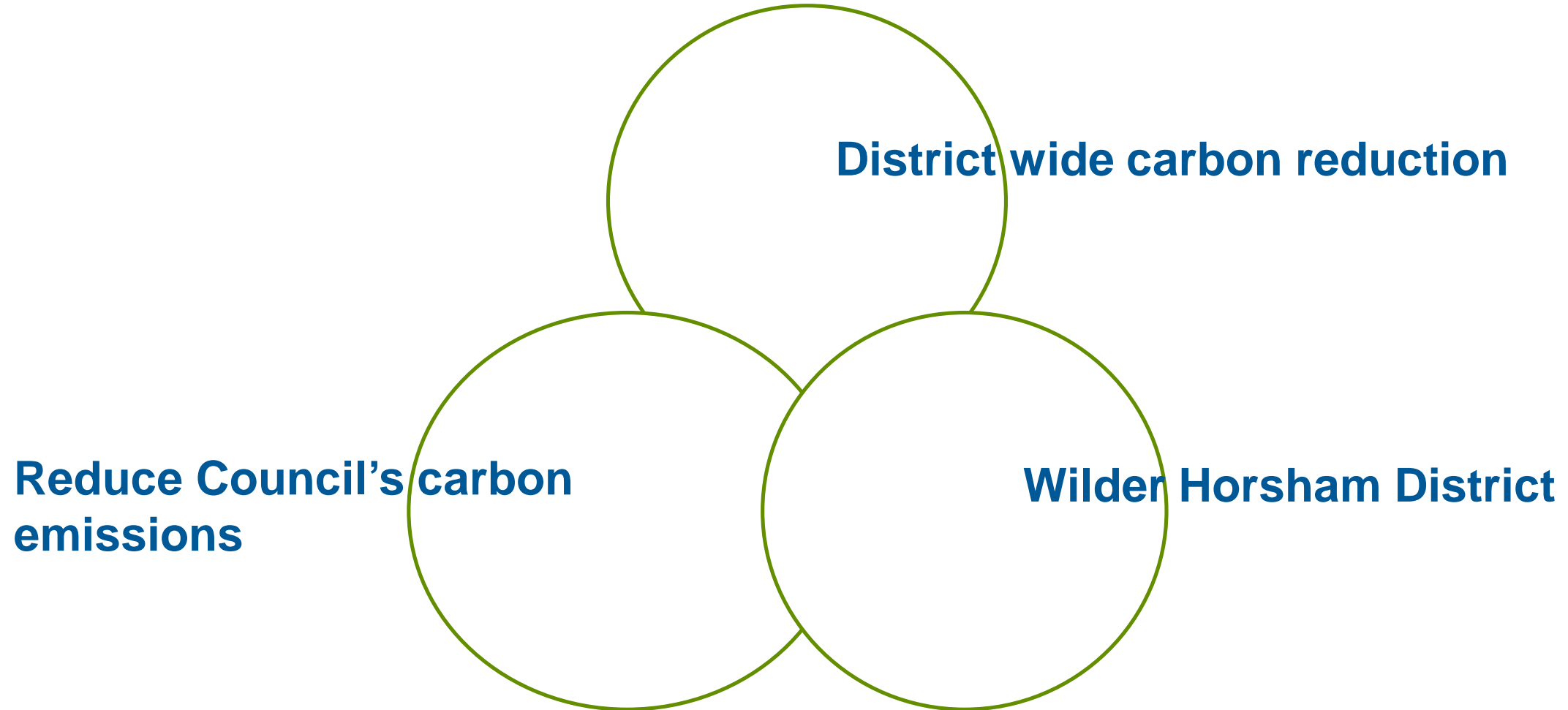
**5. European Commission**

5.1 The instrument is made in accordance with the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by section 89 of the 2008 Act.

"In my view the instrument is in accordance with the requirements of section 89 of the 2008 Act."



# Corporate Plan 2019-2023



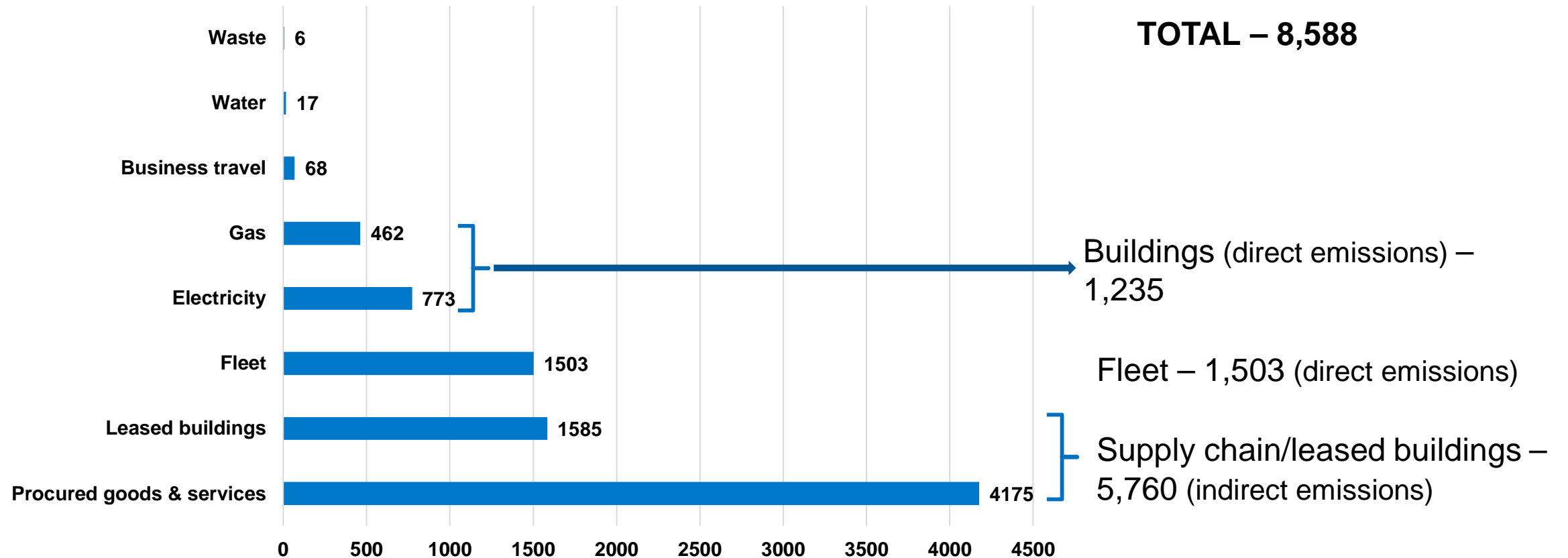


- Aspire to reach carbon neutrality for the emissions that are more directly within the Councils control by 2030 (from petrol, diesel, gas & electricity)
- For the Councils indirect carbon emissions to be carbon neutral by 2050 (from supply chain & leased buildings; water, waste & business travel)



# HDC Carbon Emissions

## Carbon emissions by source (tCO<sub>2</sub>e) - 2019/20





# Short term action plan

Transport



Property

Behaviour  
change

Parks &  
Countryside

Procurement



## Behaviour change/awareness raising

- Staff communications plan
- Staff training on climate change
- Trialling hybrid working



## Transport

- Eco driver training
- Green commuting/business travel – encourage use of sustainable transport
- Trial electric refuse vehicle
- Replaced diesel with HVO fuel
- Increase electric vehicles in the fleet; from 3 to 23 in next 2 years



Fast.  
Reliable.  
Sustainable.

## Property

- Audit main buildings to reduce carbon emissions e.g. The Capitol
- Agree a decarbonisation programme; non-residential, flats & houses, leased buildings
- St Peter's Hall/RAFA Club
  - insulation, air source heat pump and photovoltaics
- New buildings; built to low carbon standard
- LED lighting in Council car parks



## Procurement

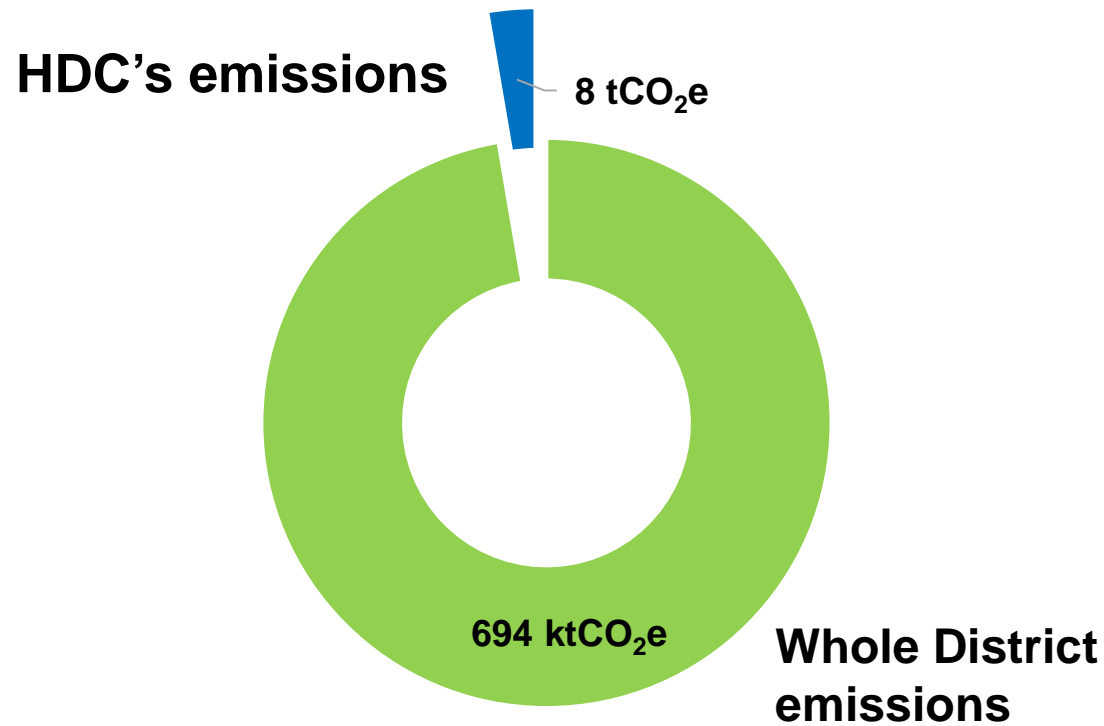
- Sustainable Procurement Charter approved
- Contracts to provide goods & services include carbon reduction
- Suppliers reduce their emissions

## Parks & Countryside

- Develop an offsetting strategy
- Tree management plan
- Links to Wilder Horsham District project

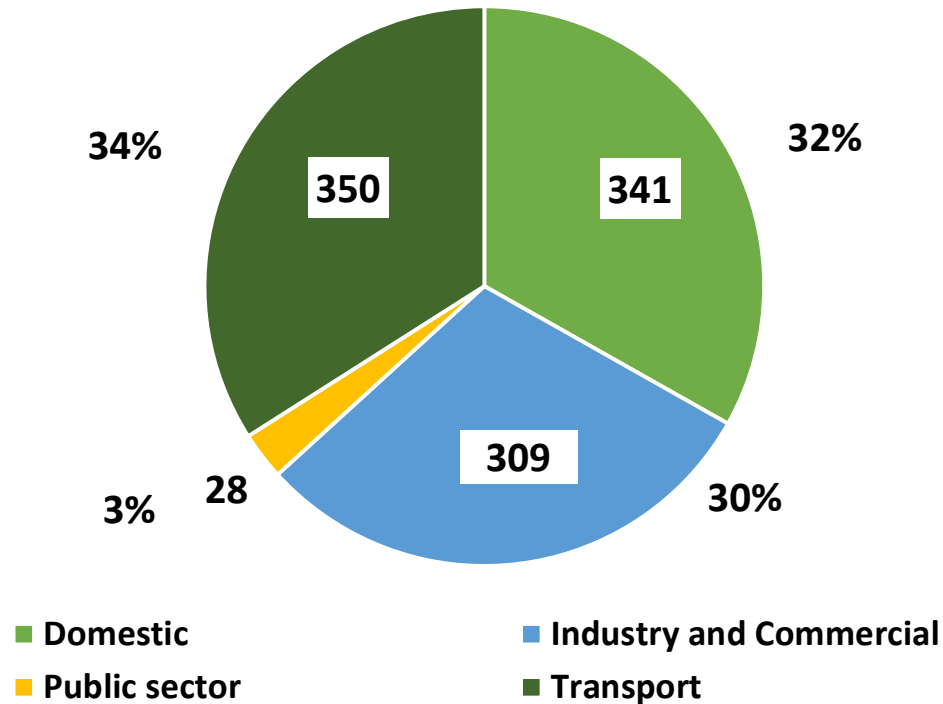


# HDC & District wide carbon reduction

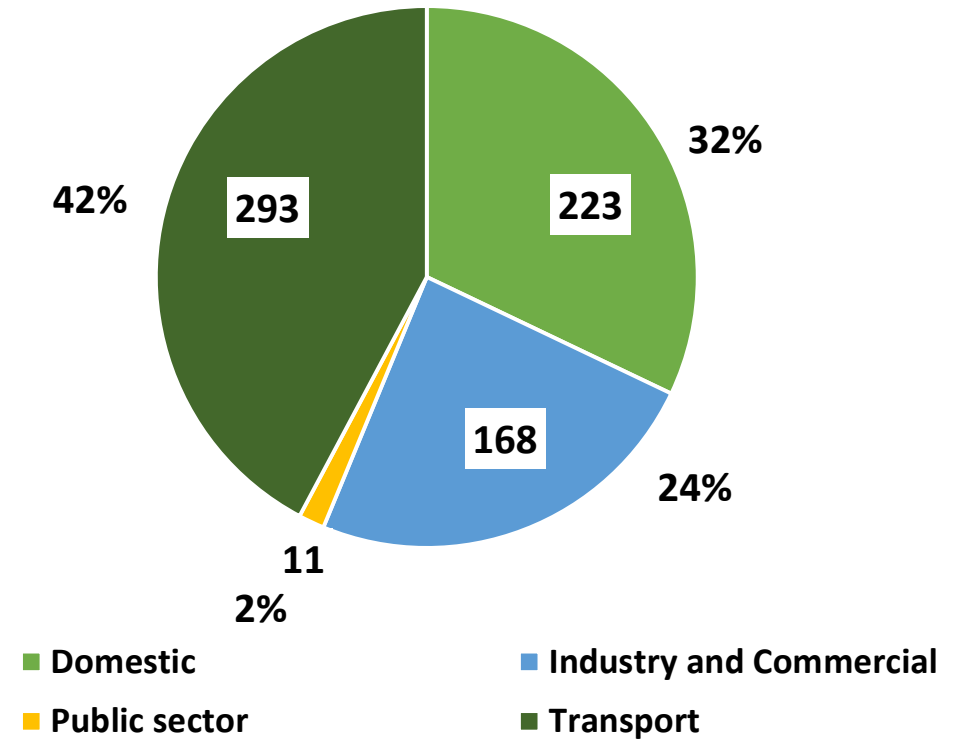


# Carbon emissions – Horsham District

Carbon emissions – 2005  
Total = 1029 ktCO<sub>2</sub>



Carbon emissions – 2019  
Total = 694 kt CO<sub>2</sub>



Source: Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy





- Pop up bike repairs
- Cycling – confidence building
- Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Programme
- County wide Electric Vehicle Charge Point project





- West Sussex Home Energy Advice Service- telephone
- Local Energy Advice Partnership – home visits
- Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery scheme
- Sussex Solar Together
- Council retrofit – share learning; e.g. St Peter’s Hall





REDUCE



REUSE



RECYCLE

- Recycling rate of 53.5%= the highest in West Sussex
- New services – batteries/textiles & small electricals
  - reuse hub
- Food waste trials commenced
  - analysis = food waste makes up 42% of waste put out for collection





## Communication & engagement

- Website/social media & e-newsletters
- West Sussex Climate Change Engagement Hub



## Horsham District Climate Change Group

- External stakeholders = gathering ideas on actions
- Feed into the production of a strategy and action plan for the District



July 2021

## Climate Change Action

**JOIN US** in tackling climate change and reducing our carbon footprint

Horsham District Council is committed to reducing carbon emissions and helping to tackle climate change. Read about our progress and find out how you too can get involved in this new series of Climate Action newsletters.

### Content

- Introduction: Horsham District Council's Green Agenda
- Find out about our carbon reduction targets and Action Plan
- Applications are invited for our Community Climate Fund
- Becoming a Wilder Horsham District
- Wilder Horsham District is now on social media - why not join the conversation?
- Apply for a Nature Recovery Award
- Share this newsletter
- Quick Links

## Climate and environment news

Find top tips, news stories and ideas and inspiration in our dedicated climate news section.

Search by term

Select category

### Stay connected

Sign up to our Climate Change Action email newsletter to receive the latest news updates on our progress as well as tips and advice on how to get involved.

### COP26

Find out about the [UN Climate Change Conference](#)



### Major electric vehicle charging point project agreed

A major contract to install electric vehicle charging points has now been signed which is set to benefit thousands of drivers in Horsham District.



### Business grants for a greener future

Find out what opportunities are available for West Sussex businesses to ride the wave of COP26 to boost their own carbon reduction strategies.



Fast.  
Reliable.  
Sustainable.

### Our HVO trial is a success

Switching from diesel to vegetable oil should reduce our fuel carbon emissions by up to 90%

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**Next round opens 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022**





The @GreeningSteyning group received a £5000 grant from our Community Climate Fund back in December 2020 🌍♻️

Since then the group have been able to launch several environmental projects in the town, including:

- ♻️ Setting up a new Repair Café
- 🏠 Starting a Home Retrofit Project
- 🚗 Launched a road-safety campaign
- 📺 Created two local case study videos
- 🦋 Shared a Garden Wildlife Survey with 300+ responses

*Vicar of St. Mark's Church, Holbrook*

*“We are therefore thrilled to have been awarded a £1000 Community Climate Fund Grant by Horsham District Council, and we hope the Holbrook Community Orchard project will both bless local people and greatly enhance the biodiversity in our area.”*

*Carrie Cort, CEO of Sussex Green Living, said: “We are so grateful for all the support we’ve had for this project. It would not have been possible without the Council’s climate fund grant as well as another £5000 from the Welton Fund and the Nino Fund at Sussex Community. And, of course, the incredibly hard work, passion and creativity of our volunteers”.*





