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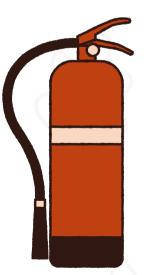


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Fackling climate change

> The average person in Havering emits around 4.1 tonnes of Carbon Dioxide (CO_2) into the atmosphere every year - that's the equivalent of:



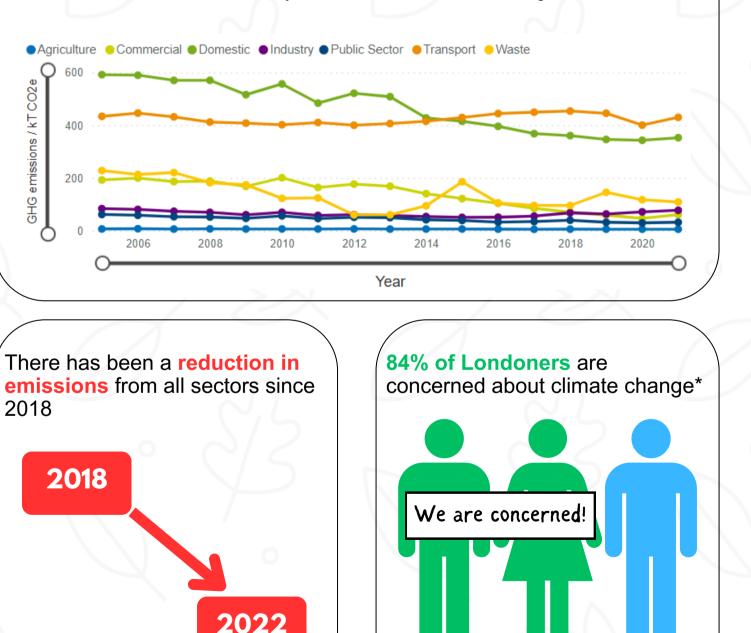
2,050 standard-sized fire extinguishers

To capture 4.1 tonnes of CO_2



Transport and Domestic use are the **main contributors** of CO₂ emissions in Havering

Other contributors are Waste, Industry, Commercial, Public Sector and Agriculture



*According to a 2023 survey by London Councils

Here are some of the actions Havering Council is taking to become carbon neutral by 2040

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

• Develop, seek funding and evaluate the feasibility of introducing a local heat network within Havering

Tackling climate change

- Greening of the borough, including tree planting to Romford Ring Road and Rom Valley Way, and greening of central Romford
- Review Major planning applications with Energy & Sustainability consultation to ensure zero carbon policies are enforced and exceeded where feasible

ENERGY

- Review contract with energy supplier
- Continue with fabric led retrofit project work to bring Housing properties up to an EPC C rating
- Development of a zero carbon visitor centre at Raphaels Park Lodge

BUSINESS CONTINUITY

Explore how the Private Sector Housing licensing process can help promote energy efficiency measures in rental properties by signposting advice and guidance to landlords

Develop a Community Resilience Hub that includes resilience volunteers who are trained to respond to and be aware of the impact of extreme weather
Implement a Cold Weather Plan and develop a Warm Weather Plan to address impacts of warmer summers

PEOPLE

- Use UKSPF funding to provide training for local businesses in the fundamentals of sustainability with the objective of the businesses adopting
- greener processes in their ways of working
- Establish a Green Business Award
- Create a Directory of Green Services providing businesses with a resource from which they can identify services to support their business in tackling climate change

PROCUREMENT

STAKEHOLDER & COMMUNITY

- Management of nature conservation areas within Council owned land and encouragement of private land owners to manage biodiversity
- Continue Healthy Schools programme as a mode of engaging with schools
- Develop programme for Climate Change Champions and continue to seek funding to maintain the scheme

WASTE

- Produce new Waste Minimisation Plan for the borough
- Switch to 14 electric vehicles for new waste contractor vehicles
- Monitor CO₂ emissions from vehicles based waste collection operations



PUBLIC PROTECTION

- Promote energy efficient schemes to landlords
- Work with Registered Social Landlords to tackle climate change and promote partnerships
- Update Air Quality Action Plan

TRANSPORT

- Develop an Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy
- Deliver a Cycling and Walking Strategy for residents, businesses and the community
- Promote and lead an active travel conference for schools

• Engage with East London Waste Authority (ELWA) to understand opportunities for how we can recycle more bulky waste (targets to be identified with new waste contractor once

A summary of the climate emergency in Havering



Everyone in Havering has a part to play in reducing CO_2 emissions from driving less to reducing heating, gas and electricity usage

Every person in Havering produces **4.1 tonnes of CO₂** every year. 205 trees are needed to capture this



Show some Havering spirit in helping the council achieve its goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2040