

1. Possible Climate change and ecology options for Parish Council.

I suggest a small group to promote actions. It would be good to encourage other Parishioners to join especially gardeners farmers or other landowners. This could be done through the emergency plan considerations this autumn. This then is our climate change emergency action on top of the more traditional emergency plan.

2. Things the council can do

- Change to renewable energy supplier for electricity. The council has undertaken to do this at the end of the present contract (early 2020). This may be slightly more expensive.
- Commit to using the search engine ecosia where possible. This search engine plants trees for every few uses.
- Reduce energy use where possible.
- Car share for meetings.
- Keep investigating options for the toilets at the Haven to reduce the cost and energy involved in their operation.

3. Things the council may influence.

- Speed limit on roads (also reduces carbon Dioxide emissions.)
- Requiring new houses to have solar panels. Allowing solar panels on Barns and small ground arrays: having a presumption in favour of any external insulation on houses.
- Grass cutting of verges. Manage to promote wildflower growth.
- Promotion of any schemes that the Burden Trust may initiate. (I'm assuming the council itself cannot buy Trees- is this correct?)

Note:

(I do not think we can ask for higher energy efficiency in houses than the current building regulations but we could ask for more inspections to ensure any new houses do have the energy efficiency they claim)

- Extend use of school bus for children where applicable. The refusal to take children in some cases lead to unnecessary car journeys. If finance is the issue perhaps a termly charge could be considered.
- *Supporting a wind fence trial at Trelay. This is a new technology and Trelay have been offered the chance to trial one. (The company have been given a grant from the government for this and wish to have 4 pilots. The basis for their development is that they could be used in sensitive landscape areas. The maximum height is 7m. The first trial has started and any support I accept should be conditional on the results from the first trial. I believe this is within the scope of the Cornwall local plan which states that it wishes to support novel renewable energy technologies.*

4. Things the Burden Trust may consider.

- Encouraging farmers and landowner to plant trees. Some financial help for this could be considered by the Burden Trust.
- Encouraging gardeners to plant trees and garden in a climate and eco- friendly way. (possibly some finance)
- Plant trees at the Burden trust car Park